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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 051800A Nov to
061800A Nov 44

3 REPORT NO 152.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo Intelligence indicates a new grouping of three positions (four light guns) vicinity LIZZANO (L51-13).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

051800A - 060600A	107 AA Gp	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		6		6
Lt			120	120
Med			10	10
Hvy			10	10
Total		6	140	146

060600A - 061800A	107 AA Gp	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		1	70	71
Lt		38	70	108
Med		3	50	53
Hvy				
Total		42	190	232

051800A - 061800A	107 AA Gp	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Total	0	48	330	378

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

L71-22 - 30 rds; L77-27 - 20 rds; L58-18 - 34 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward elements and bridges at SILLA (L58-15) and MARANO (L63-19)

Damage:

None reported.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Co "B", 894 TD Bn closed in new position (601-138) at 1745A.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	8	4	12
Harassing	4	4	8
Total	12	8	20

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Air OP		3	3
Unobserved	12	5	17
Total	12	8	20

MISCELLANEOUS:

- IV Corps Arty AOP, Capt Rowan, fired 751 Tk Bn (assault) guns on enemy battery YLP at L566-213. Two battery volleys fell in the gun area and the third volley started a large fire, apparently an ammunition dump.
- Capt Rowan also adjusted the 751 Tk Bn (assault guns) on YMP at L570-218 and reported that all rds fired for effect fell in the target area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 081800A Nov to
091800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 155.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Five new photo locations containing 9 pieces were obtained on the cover of 8 November. These were opposite the 6 (SA) Armd Div sector along Hwy 64 between the 29 and 38 Northings.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

081800A - 090600A:	BEF	6 (SA)	TF 45	IV Corps
Unk	3			3
Lt	113	80		193
Med	41	30		71
Hvy		15		15
Total	157	125	0	282

090600A - 091800A:	BEF	6 (SA)	TF 45	IV Corps
Unk	8	56		64
Lt	160	100		260
Med	73	53		126
Hvy				
Total	241	209	0	450

081800A - 091800A:	397	334	0	731
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

L81-24 - 20 rds	L58-14 (SILLA Bridge area)
L62-19 (Vic MARANO) - 62 rds	-48 rds
L63-22 - 100 rds	L59-15 - 27 rds
L58-12 (Vic PORRETTA) - 57 rds	L59-12 (Gun area) - 35 rds
	L59-14 - 30 rds

Nature of fire:

Harassing of road nets with special attention directed on SILLA bridge in L58-14 sq which received 48 rds. The towns of MORANO (L62-19) and PORRETTA TERME (L58-12) received 62 rds and 57 rds respectively. "B" Co, 894 TD Bn at L599-129 received 10 rds of counterbattery from 091200A - 091215A; no damage reported.

Damage:

During shelling of SILLA bridge, one 2½ ton truck; and one jeep reported destroyed. 894 TD Bn reported two casualties, not serious.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	18	8	26
Harassing	4	3	7
Total	22	11	33

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3. OPERATIONS: (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Ground OP	3	2	5
Unobserved	19	9	28
Total	22	11	33

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Any one knowing the location of any 88-mm or 150-mm (German) ammunition please notify KENTUCKY 4 as soon as possible.

b. Military personnel are reminded again that it is their duty to turn in all shellreps by the quickest means possible. Listed below are the things that we must know to effectively counter-battery and stop this shelling:

1. Location of the person who reports the shelling.
2. The direction from which the shells came, in degrees, mills or points of the compass.
3. Time shelling started.
4. Time shelling stopped.
5. Area shelled.
6. Damage.
7. Number of rounds fired.
8. Caliber of gun.
9. Name of person giving shell rep.

c. All artillery units are now on trig survey. For coordinate corrections of firing maps and for further details see Operations Instructions No 19, this headquarters, to follow later.

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- 1 - 894 TD Bn
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 091800A Nov to
101800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 156.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

091800A - 100600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	8	80	88
Med	0	0	30	30
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	8	110	118

100600A - 101800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	7	44	51
Lt	0	18	62	80
Med	0	71	27	98
Hvy	0	0	4	4
Total	0	96	137	233

091800A - 101800A:	0	104	247	351
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

L62-19 (vic MARANO) - 56 rds

L72-23 (vic GRIZZANA) - 25 rds

Nature of fire:

Harassing on road nets, with the towns of MARANO (L62-19) and PORRETTA (L58-11) receiving some shelling.

Damage:

2 men reported slightly wounded during shelling this morning in vicinity MARANO (L62-19).

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	7	4	11
Harassing	5	5	10
Total	12	9	21

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
ACP	3	4	7
Unobserved	9	5	14
Total	12	9	21

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MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. ACP's took advantage of the first clear weather in many days. Three missions were fired simultaneously on enemy batteries and all on Army "A" channel. This was an example of excellent radio procedure and coordination.
- b. Just a coincidence but the 88mm gun fired 88 rounds today.
- c. New arty defensive fire plans have been completed for the REEF section. The arty fire plan was closely coordinated with the infantry defensive plans.

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- 1 - 894 TD Bn
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 101600A Nov to
111800A Nov 44

REPORT NO 157.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

Enemy Artillery Activity -
Number of rounds reported:

101800A - 110600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk				
Lt		20	50	70
Med		7		7
Hvy				
Total	0	27	50	77

110600A - 111800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk			110	110
Lt		36	50	86
Med		44	13	54
Hvy				
Total	0	80	170	250

101800A - 111800A:	0	107	220	327
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

L58-14 - 10 rds; L77-27 - 20 rds; L88-27 - 40 rds; L72-24 -
25 rds; L61-21 - 30 rds; L62-19 - 44 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on road nets and forward areas.

Damage:

None reported.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

424 FA Group CP opened new location at 601 - 080.

OPERATIONS:

Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in pos	5	3	8
Harassing	8	1	9
Troops	3		3
Roads	2	4	6
Total	18	8	26

Observation:

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Air CP	2	4	6
Ground CP	4		4
Unobserved	12	4	16
Total	18	8	26

MISCELLANEOUS:

Adjusted by IV Corps Arty AOP, the II FA Bn BEF fired upon SGP (L611263) this afternoon. One round of smoke fired by the Bn fell in a house and started a fire as evidenced by a large column of black smoke.

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SCHELLANEOUS: (cont'd)

Assault guns, 751 Tk Bn were adjusted on SMP (1592230) by IV Corps Arty AOP. All rounds landed in the target area, and one direct hit in the gun pits was reported.

At 1100A every gun in Corps and Division Artillery in this sector fired battery 11 rounds on selected targets as an Armistice Day salute.

Paragraph 4, c, S - 3 Report No 155, this headquarters, dated period: 08 - 09 is hereby rescinded.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 111800A Nov to
121800A Nov 44

3 REPORT NO 158.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Eight new photo locations containing 20 pieces were obtained on cover of 11 Nov. Two positions, totaling 5 pieces, were added to the IOLA (L5721) grouping opposite BEF. Two new positions were located in the L5434 sq, containing 4 pieces estimated light caliber.

It should be noted that the light pieces reported as occupying these two positions are not capable of reaching our forward elements and are beyond the maximum range of our artillery. Another 3-gun light caliber position was located in the L6132 sq. Opposite the 6 (SA) Armd Div, three positions, totaling 8 light caliber pieces, were located in L6428, L6731 and L6934 squares.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
111800A - 120600A:				
Unk	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	75	80	155
Med	0	0	15	15
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	75	95	170

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
120600A - 121800A:				
Unk	0	0	10	10
Lt	0	6	25	31
Med	0	0	3	3
Hvy	0	0	4	4
Total	0	6	42	48

111800A - 121800A:	0	81	137	218
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Areas receiving special attention:

L62-21 - 70 rds	L83-26	L76-24	L80-27
L83-29	L83-27	L71-26	

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing on forward areas.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in pos	3	3	6
Harassing	6	2	8
Troops	1	0	1
Total	10	5	15

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
AOP	3	2	5
Unobserved	7	3	10
Total	10	5	15

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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Motor failure due to weather conditions caused a crackup in attempted landing of Corps Arty ACP (L-4) at strip at (582-125). No injuries to pilot or observer. Damage to plane repairable in twenty-four (24) hours.
- b. IV Corps Arty and Div Arty were again today adjusted by IV Corps ACP's on the following EB's; SAP, YMP, SLP, and TOP with good results,

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- 1 - CG, Div Arty BEEF
- 1 - G-3 IV Corps
- 1 - 894 TD Bn
- 1 - 424 FA Gp
- 2 - CRA 6 (SA) ADA
- 1 - 4/22 Fd Regt
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 121800A Nov to
131800A Nov 44

- 3 REPORT NO 159.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 12 November revealed two positions, two guns each, in the L6530 and L8239 squares.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

121800A - 130600A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (S)	IV Corps
Unk		50		50
Lt		26	40	66
Med			20	20
Hvy				
Total	0	76	60	136

130600A - 131800A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (S)	IV Corps
Unk			47	47
Lt		14	46	60
Med		69	3	72
Hvy				
Total	0	83	96	179

121800A - 131800A:	0	159	156	315
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

Vic MORNO Bridge (6219) - 99 rds; Vic P.LAZZO (6422) - 150 rds;
7328 square - 20 rds.

Nature of fire:

General harassing fire on forward elements and on the MORNO bridge.

Damage:

370 Inf Regt, one killed and four injured, vic BFT I (5718) at 130700A.

6th Combat Team 3FF, two killed and eight men wounded, vic P.LAZZO (6422) between 121800A and 130500A.

LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in pos	6	4	10
Harassing	11	1	12
Personnel	2	1	3
Total	19	6	25

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Air OP		3	3
Ground OP	3	1	4
Unobserved	16	2	18
Total	19	6	25

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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. IV Corps Arty AOP adjusted 7/23 Med Regt on TKP (L667-279) and reported 4 rds fell within 10 yards of the gun pits.
- b. IV Corps Arty AOP firing assault guns, 751 Tk Bn, adjusted on a cross road then made a "K" transfer to two enemy batteries, SFP and YLP. On the first transfer, the rounds landed right on the target; on the second transfer, the rounds were "15 right and 15 short".
- c. Brazilian planes will soon be operating in this sector. The Brazilian aircraft marking is the same in dimensions, location on aircraft, and other particulars, as that of United States except star is decorated as follows: Points on main star are divided in halves lengthwise, one half yellow and other half green; blue circle fills center of star, circle being outlined by double narrow white lines and in the blue circle are five small white stars. The aircraft rudder is half yellow and half green vertically with yellow half at rear.

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- 1 - CG, TF 45
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - 424 FA Gp
- 2 - 6 (SA) ADA (CR)
- 1 - 4/22 Fd Regt
- 1 - 167 LAA Btry
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 131800A Nov to
141800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 160.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

131800A - 140600A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (S)	IV Corps
Unk			50	50
Lt		20	2	22
Med		4		4
Hvy			5	5
Total	0	24	57	81
 140600 - 141800A:	 TF 45	 3FF	 6 (S)	 IV Corps
Unk		38	60	98
Lt		4	55	59
Med			28	28
Hvy				
Total	0	42	143	185
131800A - 141800A: -----	0	66	200	266

Areas receiving special attention:

Vic MARANO Bridge - 46 rds

63-13 sq - 20 rds

76-27 sq - 25 rds

Nature of fire:

General harassing fire principally on the forward areas with the MARANO Bridge receiving special attention.

Damage: No damage reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btrys in position	6	2	8
Harassing	10	2	12
	16	4	20

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Unobserved	16	4	20

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. We are glad to welcome our Brazilian Allies and their artillery; the III Bn and 3rd Btry of the IV Med Bn. Even with adverse weather to hamper their movement, 3rd Btry, IV Med Bn was in position at (645-143) and ready to fire at 2100 last night.

b. At 1630 on request of Ky C30, two groups "RYE and SODA", of the C3 program were fired. After the firing on the last enemy battery at 1705 no more shell-reps were received.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 141800Z Nov to
151800Z Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 161.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Shellreps for the period reported the majority of the shelling in the 3EF Sector as medium caliber, which has not yet been confirmed. Due to lack of photo cover and air and ground observation for the past few days, it cannot be stated whether any material change has occurred in the enemy artillery dispositions.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

141800A - 150600A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		5		5
Lt				
Med		92	30	122
Hvy				
Total	0	97	30	127

150600A - 161800A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		41		41
Lt	3	6	170	179
Med		62	5	67
Hvy			15	15
Total	3	109	190	302

141800A - 151800A - - - - -	3	206	220	429
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

Vic MARANO bridge (L6219) - 112 rds; vic PORRETTA - 72 rds;
L7725 - 25 rds; L7825 - 25 rds.

Nature of fire:

In the 3EF sector chiefly harassing fire in vicinity of the Marano bridge (L6219) and Porretta (L5812) with two small concentrations reported early in the period. In the 6 (SA) sector chiefly harassing on forward areas with 2 concentrations of 25 rounds each reported as falling in the 7725 and 7825 squares respectively.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	12	7	19
Harassing	10	3	13
Mortars	1		1
Personnel	1		1
Vehicles	1		1
Total	25	10	35

b. Observation

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Ground OP	4		4
Unobserved	21	10	31
Total	25	10	35

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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 424 FA Group fired 5 TOT's on known active enemy batteries during the day.
- b. Battery "C", 68 AFA Bn moving to new position at 560-1199

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- 1 - 424 FA Gp
- 1 - 4/22 Fd Regt
- 1 - 167 LAA Btry
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Period: 151800Z Nov to
161800Z Nov 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

151800A - 160600A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		13	76	39
Lt		4		4
Med				
Hvy				
Total	<u>0</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>95</u>
160600A - 161800A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	28		27	55
Lt	29	24	135	188
Med			7	7
Hvy				
Total	<u>57</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>250</u>
151800A - 161800A: - - - - -	57	41	245	345

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

L71-25 - 20 rds	L77-25 - 22 rds
Vic LIZZANO (51-12) - 40 rds	L77-26 - 25 rds
Vic MORANO Bridge (62-19) - 20 rds	L78-26 - 20 rds
L80-24 - 22 rds	L77-22 - 20 rds

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fires on forward areas; the town of LIZZANO (51-12) and the MORANO Bridge area (L62-19).

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	394 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	4	4	8
Troops	2		2
Harassing	7	3	10
Total	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>

b. Observation -

Type	394 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
ACP		3	3
Ground OP	2		2
Unobserved	11	4	15
	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>

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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Our hats are off to the 751's Assault Guns for their fast, accurate shooting, completing adjustment and fire for effect on three enemy batteries in less than an hour.
- b. Capt. Riffenburger, 424 FA Gp, adjusted 751 Tk Bn's Assault Guns on three enemy batteries, SYP, SYP, and TGP during period. One explosion and fire started on SYP. The fire was still burning 1 1/2 hours later. Corps artillery plus 68 AF Bn at 1730 placed TGP on SYP consisting of two volleys all available.

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- 2 - CG, TF 45
- 2 - CG, 6 (SA) ADA
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 1 - 424 FA Gp
- 1 - 4/22 Ad Rest
- 1 - 167 LAA Btry
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 161800A Nov to
171800A Nov 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

161800A - 170600A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (S)	IV Corps
Unk				
Lt		13	90	103
Med				
Hvy				
Total	0	13	90	103
170600A - 171800A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (S)	IV Corps
Unk			80	80
Lt	30	158	50	238
Med		1	10	11
Hvy				
Total	30	159	140	329
161800A - 171800A: -	30	172	230	432

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

37-06 - 30 rds; 64-22 - 99 rds; 56-15 - 45 rds; 53-27 - 20 rds; 56-24 - 20 rds.

Nature of fire:

Bulk of shelling consisted of harassing fire on forward elements, with some fire directed on road nets in forward areas.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. Assault guns, 751 Tk Bn opened in new position (L6095-1516) at 161853A.
- b. 2nd platoon, Co "A", 894 TD Bn opened in new position (L6313-1508) at 170630A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	Total
Btry in pos	1	4	5
Harassing	6	6	12
Total	7	10	17

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	Total
Air OP		4	4
Unobserved	7	6	13
Total	7	10	17

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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. The 424 FA Group AOP adjusted assault guns 751 Tk Bn on XN, SLP, SDP, and TTP. Four rounds landed within 5 yards of YN; two rds landed within 5 yds of right gun pit and fifteen rds landed within 10 yds of the gun pits of SLP; six battery volleys landed in the target area of SDP with very good effect. The adjustment on TTP could not be completed because of poor visibility.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 181800 Nov to
191800 Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 165.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 18 November revealed 7 positions and 18 enemy guns about 3000 meters west of Hwy 64 between 64 and 80 easting. Three previously located positions, 6 - 7 guns, in vic M. TERMINALE (L5621) and one single gun position (L7430) were reported unoccupied.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

181800A - 190600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	9	149	55	213
Lt		19	60	79
Med		4	20	24
Hvy			5	5
Total	9	172	140	321
190600A - 191800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		14	19	33
Lt	16	36	46	98
Med		4	25	29
Hvy			3	3
Total	16	54	93	166
181800A - 191800A -	25	226	233	484

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 - Forward Infantry elements vicinity GUANELLO (575-181) - 9 rds, BOMBIANA (585-184) - 5 rds.

BEF - vic RIOLA Bridge (6419) - 76 rds; vic MARANO Bridge (6219) - 45 rds; vic VOLPARA (6220) - 60 rds; vic 15th Co CP (619-197) - 17 rds; vic 3rd Bn CP (626206) - 12 rds; vic 6th Inf CP (623-195) - 16 rds.

6 (SA) - Forward Infantry elements in squares 6322, 6721, 7124, 7726, 7925 received 46 rds. Roads in squares 6518, 7624, 7926 received 65 rds. 12th Brig Hq area (7323) - 10 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward Infantry elements, bridges, CP's and roads.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	2	3
Harassing	8	3	11
Reinforcing fires	4	1	5
Personnel	2	1	3
Total	15	7	22

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3. OPERATIONS: Cont'd.

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Ground OP	1		1
Unobserved	14	7	21
Total	15	7	22

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. At 1600 hours, all available guns of corps and division artillery fired a TOT of two volleys on enemy troop assembly at L646-261..
- b. 424 FA Group ACP registered 3rd battery (155 H) IV Bn BFF Arty on check point at 611-258 then shifted to SCP and fired for effect covering the target area.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 191800A Nov to
201800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO. 166.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover on 19 November revealed no change in artillery disposition. The one sortie flown was badly affected by clouds and cloud shadows.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

191800A - 200600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		20	33	53
Lt			115	115
Med		6	11	17
Hvy			6	6
Total	0	26	165	191
200600A - 201800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		27	30	57
Lt	65		35	100
Med			4	4
Hvy			7	7
Total	65	27	76	168
191800A - 201800A:	65	53	241	359

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 - Forward infantry elements vic CROCIA (L56-15), CODE TOSCHI (L57-17), GUANELLA (L57-18), and BOMBIA NA (L58-18) received a total of 65 rds. Btry area, "A" and "B" btrys, 68 AFA Bn, received some fire at 0740A.

BEF - Road in L6319--14 rds; SAVIGNANA (L64-19) - 12 rds; forward infantry elements (L63-22) - 4 rds; RIOLA Bridge area (L64-19) - 1 rd; MARANO Bridge area (L628-194) - 22 rds.

6 (SA) Armd Div - Forward infantry elements received the bulk of the shelling, with 86 rds in L81-28 square and 18 rds in L71-25 square, and scattered rds over other parts of the front. Roads in L71-24 and L79-26 squares harassed with 9 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements and roads.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. 168 LAA Btry CP - 632-162.
"A" Troop - 646-166
"C" Troop - 632-155

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	1		1
Harassing	10	7	17
Total	11	7	18

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Period: 201800A Nov to
211800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 167.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover on 20 November revealed four positions - six
six guns in vicinity GANZOLA (L8437)

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

201800A - 210600A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		17	20	37
Lt			6	6
Med		3		3
Hvy			15	15
Total	0	20	41	61

210600A - 211800A:	TF 45	3EF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		29	83	112
Lt	15	31	64	110
Med		10	41	51
Hvy			2	2
Total	15	70	190	275

201800A - 211800A -	15	90	231	336
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector - vic "D" Co, 370th Inf (578-174) - 15 rds.

BEF Sector - vic MARANO Bridge (6219) - 16 rds;
vic 2nd Co CP (Brazilian Engineers) (580125) -
12 rds; vic RIOLA Bridge (6419) - 22 rds.

Roads - 63-18, 66-20, 62-20 - 24 rds.

Forward Infantry elements - 6322 square - 9 rds.

6 (SA) Sector - Total of 130 rds on forward infantry areas,
50 rds of which fell in L7324 square; 19 rds
in L7923 square; 15 rds in L8428 square and
L8224 square received 43 rds and vic STANCO
VILLAGE (7121) - 12 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads and bridges,
with one concentration of 50 rds falling on forward defense line in
L7324 square.

Damage:

Two Brazilian soldiers reported killed and six wounded vic L580-
125.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Btry in position	7	9	16
Harassing	12	7	19
Defensive fires	2	1	3
Personnel	4		4
Total	25	17	42

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b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	Total
Air OP	2	2	4
Ground OP	4		4
Unobserved	<u>19</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>34</u>
Total	25	17	42

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 424 FA Group AOP fired 751 Tk Bn assault guns on SDP and PBP. Seven volleys were fired for effect on SDP, all rounds landing very close to the target, and six rounds landing within 5 yds of the gun pits. Seven volleys were fired on PBP. 75% of the rounds fell within 50 yds of the gun pits. Apparently some ammunition was hit, as a bright yellow flash was observed.

b. 1 Btry, IV FA Bn (155 H) (BEF), now in position at 6480-1811.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 211800A Nov to
221800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 168.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Recent photo cover indicates a thinning out of enemy artillery positions in the vicinity of M. TERMINALE (L56-21). Two or three positions, 4-6 pieces, are left in that area, and two positions, 4 pieces, remain south of the area in the L56-20 and L57-20 squares. Three additional positions, 6 pieces, have appeared north of that area in the L55-23 and L56-24 squares.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

211800A - 220600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		4	25	29
Lt			40	40
Med		11	25	36
Hvy			5	5
Total	0	15	95	110
220600A - 221800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		4	26	30
Lt	97	1	45	143
Med		16	6	22
Hvy				
Total	97	21	77	195
211800A - 221800A:	97	36	172	305

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector - 240 Btry, CP of 39 IAA Regt - (399-065)
Roads - (40-05) - 80 rds
Roads - (42-05)
Roads - (40-06)
Roads (57-18), (51-15), (51-16), (50-15), (58-18) - 17 rds.

BEF sector - Vic RIOLA bridge (64-19) and (65-19) - 11 rds
Vic MARANO bridge (62-19) - 3 rds
Roads (62-20), and (65-20) - 17 rds.
Forward infantry elements (63-22), (64-21) - 5 rds.

6 (SA) sector - 92 rds on forward infantry areas with 71-25 square receiving 25 rds, 73-26 square - 18 rds, and 77-26 square, - 10 rds. 80 rds on roads with 76-24 square receiving 19 rds, (83-27) - 20 rds, and 73-22 - 14 rds.

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fire on forward infantry elements and roads.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 IAA	Total
Btry in position		2		2
Personnel		1	1	2
Harassing	7	4	12	23
Total	7	7	13	27

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 IAA	Total
AOP		3		3
Ground OP			1	1
Unobserved			12	23
Total	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>27</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. The 424 FA Group AOP adjusted Assault guns 751 Tk Bn on SKP and YLP. On SKP, 50% of the rounds fired for effect fell within 50 yards of the target. On YLP, many close hits were observed.
- b. Assault guns, 751 Tk Bn, adjusted by 424 FA Group AOP, fired on personnel at L577-217, starting several fires in the area.
- c. IV Corps Arty AOP adjusted 1 Btry, IV FA Bn (155 H) BEEF on cross-roads at L620-277, then made a "K" transfer to VEP (L620-284) and SGP (L610-263). The mission on VEP was interrupted by the appearance of dive bombers which hit this enemy battery heavily and with good effect.
- d. 1st and 3rd platoon, "A" Co, 894 TD Bn detached from 424 FA Group as of 0600A.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 221800A Nov to
231800A Nov 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Recent photo cover indicates the following groupings of enemy artillery:

PIEVEPELAGO (L2918)	3 pos	11-12 AA guns
M. TERMINALE (L5621)	7 pos	14 guns
SASSOMOLAFE (L5824)	5 pos	10 guns
BOCCA DEI RAVARI (L6227)	3 pos	6 guns
CEREGLIO (L6528)	5 pos	11 guns
RODIANO (L6830)	3 pos	10 guns
SIBANO (L7529)	3 pos	6 guns
RONCUDELO (L7331)	3 pos	7 guns
LAMA (L7834)	3 pos	11 guns
S. LORENZO (L6258)	5 pos	13 guns
	3 pos	13 AA guns
COLLE AMENO (L8240)	2 pos	8 AA guns
BADOLLO (L8332)	5 pos	11 guns
VIZZANO (L8339)	4 pos	8 guns

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	TF 45	3EF	6(SA)	IV Corps
221800A - 230600:				
Unk	0	4	92	96
Lt	0	0	14	14
Med	0	2	24	26
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	6	130	136
230600A - 231800:				
Unk	32	7	240	279
Lt	25	45	210	280
Med	0	0	25	25
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	57	52	475	584
221800A - 231800:	57	58	605	720

Areas receiving special attention:

TF 45 sector

Vic of 240 Btry CP
39 LAA Regt (398065) - 30 rds
Roads (5818) (5213) (5015) (4015): 23 rds

3EF sector

Vic RIOLA Bridge (6419) (6519) - 4 rds
Vic MARANO Bridge (6219) - 5 rds.

6 (SA) sector

166 rds on forward Inf elements with square (7526) receiving 47 rds; (7125 sq) 7 rds; (7426 sq) 64 rds; (7125 sq) 20 rds; and (7225 sq) 16 rds. Town of GRIZZANO (7222) 8 rds; 40 rds fell on gun areas and adjacent roads in squares (7522); (7421); and (7521). 34 rds fell behind forward elements in squares (7924) 7 rds (7726) 10 rds (7825) 6 rds and (7424) 8 rds. A total of 176 rds landed on roads with Hwy No. 6620 between 7521-7926 sq receiving a total of 108 rds; Hwy north of GRIZZANO 14 rds; and Hwy south of MONZUNO in sq (8224) 16 rds.

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8. Enemy Artillery Activity Cont'd:

Nature of fire: Moderately heavy harassing fire on forward infantry elements and roads in 6 (S) Armd Div Sector. Three gun areas near roads receiving some fire. Light harassing fire in other sectors.

Damage reported:

One man wounded and ammunition damaged in 6 (S) Armd Div Sector.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired

Type	424 FA Gp	168 LAA	Total
Btrys in pos	3	1	4
Harassing	22	12	34
Strong Pt	8		8
MG & Mortars	8		8
OP	3		3
Personnel	8		8
Defensive Fires	9		9
Propaganda	15		15
Total	76	13	89

b. Observation -	424 FA Gp	168 LAA	Total
Grd OP	46		46
Unobserved	30	13	43
Total	76	13	89

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 894 TD Bn using ground observation fired on six enemy strong points during the day. 25-30 hits were observed in houses at L577-189, 15 hits were observed in house at L564-203, and 13 hits were observed at L577-189. The other three points were well covered. An enemy OP in house at L571-190 received 9 hits, and MG and Mortar positions at L577-202 received 12 hits.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

period: 231800A Nov to
241800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 170.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No photo cover on 23 November. Sound locations and shell reports indicated the SASSO MOLARE (L58-24), RONCUDELO (L73-31), and LAMA (L78-34) areas as active. Shell reports indicate a few guns, possibly SP's, north of M. BELVEDERE (L52-17) not yet located by photo interpretation.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

231800A - 240600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	4	8	113	125
Lt	4	0	5	9
Med	0	5	0	5
Hvy	0	0	1	1
Total	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>140</u>

240600A - 241800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	23	60	53	136
Lt	63	44	57	164
Med	0	21	0	21
Hvy	0	30	0	30
Total	<u>86</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>351</u>

231800A - 241800A:	94	168	229	491
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Areas receiving special attention:

TF 45 sector

Vic of 240 Btry OP (416-068) - 44 rds

Roads (5516) (5718) (5117) (4005) - 2 rds reported with several reports listing an unknown number of rds. 35 rds on forward infantry elements with (5619) square receiving a total of 20 rds and (5418) square a total of 15 rds.

BEF sector

Vic RIOLA bridge (6419) - 2 rds

Vic MARANO bridge (6319) - 37 rds

Roads: Between RONCHINI (6215) and RIVABELLA (6316) - 14 rds. On road between CATOMELLO (6214) and CADICIMONE (6315) a total of 32 rds were reported. In squares (6015) (6215) and (6220) a total of 47 rds were reported. 8 rds of CB fire was reported by 751 Tk Bn falling at 609-151. 6 rds fell on forward infantry elements in (6321) square. Some Shellreps were reported, indicating fire falling on forward elements, but giving no estimate as to number of rounds received.

6 (SA) sector

63 rds on forward infantry elements with (7727) square receiving 27 rds.

73 rds on roads with 7726 square receiving 12 rds; 7926 sq - 34 rds; 8128 sq - 6 rds and 7721 square - 19 rds.

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing on forward infantry elements and roads in all sectors.

Damage:

None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:
No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	Total
Btry in position	9	16	7	32
RF	2	1	0	3
Harassing	18	3	8	29
Strong points	10	11	0	21
Total	39	31	15	85

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	Total
AOP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	14	1	1	16
Unobserved	25	30	14	69
Total	39	31	15	85

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. To support the 2nd Armd Group attack on M. BELVEDERE and M. CASTELLO, Corps Arty fired TOT's on 20 enemy batteries at 0630A this morning. Light arty btrys fired 10 btry volleys and medium arty btrys fired 6 btry volleys. Certain of the more active enemy batteries were harassed for one hour following the TOT's.
- b. A TOT on MONTESE (558-244), one of main German supply and communication centers at 1110A of 5 btry volleys from 1 Plat, "A" Co, 894 TD Bn and one btry of IV Bn BEF.
- c. Enemy battery NDP (550-228) reported active several times during the day was hit with TOT at 1510A with all available (34 guns). The light batteries fired 5 btry volleys and the medium btrys fired 3 btry volleys.
- d. Between 1000A and 1200A, eight critical points of enemy lines of communication were heavily harassed by corps artillery.

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Period 241800A Nov to
251800A Nov 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

241800A - 250600A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (SA)	IV Co rps
Unk	12	2	0	14
Lt	0	0	150	150
Med	0	0	10	10
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	12	2	160	174

250600A - 251800A:	TF 45	3FF	6 (SA)	IV Co rps
Unk	14	1	33	48
Lt	93	51	105	249
Med	15	20	4	79
Hvy	3	0	0	3
Total	125	72	142	389

241800A - 251800A:	137	74	302	513
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Areas receiving special attention:

TF 45 sector

Roads NE of GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) -7 rds Road (6118) -12 rds & (5417) -4 rds. Forward Infantry elements between LA GRILLA (5517) and M BELVEDERE (5217) -9 rds. Vic QUERCIOLO (5116) -10 rds. Vic BOMBIANA (5818) -12 rds. Some shellrep s were received giving no indication of area shelled and in some instances no estimation as to number of rounds falling.

3FF sector

Vic MARANO bridge (6319) -2 rds.
Vic SILLA bridge (5814) -58 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Road between LAGARO (7418) and MARAZZE (8027) -207 rds.
Road in (7223 sq) -10 rds. Vic GRIZZANO (7222) -3 rds.
54 rounds reported as falling on forward inf elements in the (7021 sq) the (7122 sq) and the (7126 sq).

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads and forward infantry elements in all sectors.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	Total
Btry in position	11	7		18
Harassing	21	17	2	36
Strong Po	11	13		24
Screening		1		1
Total	43	34	2	79

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	Total
Grd OP		2		2
Unobserved	43	32	2	77
Total	43	34	2	79

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 88mm German gun, manned by 894 TD Bn is now in position at 615-156.

b. Two new bases have been established at L667-183 and L678-183, for use in making high burst adjustments.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 251800A Nov to
261800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 170.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:				
251800A - 260600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	4	0	40	44
Lt	3	0	5	8
Med	0	0	2	2
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>54</u>
260600A - 261800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	31	68	7	106
Lt	281	15	57	353
Med	30	31	0	61
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	<u>342</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>520</u>
251800A - 261800A:	349	114	111	574

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Vic SILLA - 62 rds.

Forward infantry elements vic CORONA (5117) and M. BELVEDERE (5217) - 275 rds, and vic (5714) sq - 12 rds.

BEF sector

Vic RIOLA (6419) - 8 rds.

Vic PORRETTA - 29 rds.

Forward infantry elements (5818) sq received 50 rds.

Vic BEF CP - 10 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Roads received 46 rds of which 21 rds fell in 8124 sq. 8 rds in 7725 sq.

Forward infantry elements received 56 rds of which 21 rds fell in 7426 sq, 10 rds in 7626 sq, and 15 rds in 8026 sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward elements, towns and roads.

Damage:

From the shelling of CORONA and M. BELVEDERE, one man killed, nine wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	Total
Btry in position	8	2	3	13
Harassing	7	5	4	16
P ropaganda		18		18
Defensive fires	<u>3</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u>3</u>
Total	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>50</u>

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type
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894 TD Bn
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751 Tk Bn
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168 LAA
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Total
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4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Metro messages are being furnished by 53 AAOE every 4 hours at 0900, 1300, 1700, 2100, 0100, and 0500.
- b. Survey information and service is being furnished in IV Corps sector by "Y" Tp, 8 Svy Regt. Units desiring survey should contact IV Corps Arty S-2 (KENTUCKY 2).
- c. A flash base has been established which is suitable for high burst registrations between 60 and 70 eastings. Units desiring to use this facility should call IV Corps Arty S-3 (KENTUCKY 3) for arrangements.

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Period: 261800A Nov to
271800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 173.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. ~~Enemy~~ Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

261800A - 270600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	2	0	2
Lt	0	26	19	45
Med	0	13	4	17
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	41	23	64

270600A - 271800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	20	7	46	73
Lt	12	4	4	20
Med	0	15	1	16
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	32	26	51	109

261800A - 271800 A:	32	67	74	173
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Road (5417 sc) - 20 rds
Vic LIZZANO (4104) - 12 rds
Harassing fire on GUERCIOLA (5116) and CORONA (5117) with
no number of rounds reported.

BEF sector

Vic GAGGIO MONTONA (5416) - 26 rds; vic BOMBIANA (5818) -
5 rds; vic RIOLA bridge (6419) - 12 rds; vic SILLA bridge (5814) -
7 rds. Roads received 16 rds of which 8 rds fell in (6116 sc).

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received 55 rds of which 24 rds
fell in (8127 sc), 15 rds in (7926 sc) and 12 rds in (7827 sc).
Roads received 20 rds of which 8 rds fell in (7724 sc).

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements, roads, bridges and
towns.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA Btry	Total
Btry in position	1	1	0	2
Harassing	13	8	10	31
Total	14	9	10	33

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	89th TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA Btry	Total
Unobserved	$\frac{14}{14}$	$\frac{9}{9}$	$\frac{10}{10}$	$\frac{33}{33}$

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Five suspect enemy kitchens were hit with TOTs (7 battery volleys each) between 1800 and 1830 by 168 Btry.
- b. Yesterday, Lt Ellington, 68 AFA Bn adjusted his battalion on an active enemy battery at 513-197. The battery was neutralized.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 271800A Nov to
281800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 174.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The Mt. TERMINALE area (L5621) and areas north of Mt BELVEDERE (L5217) continued to show the greatest activity.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1800A - 0600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	31	31
Lt	80	0	0	80
Med	0	0	15	15
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	80	0	46	126

0600A - 1800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	35	29	67	131
Lt	218	15	60	293
Med	0	20	0	20
Mixed	0	200	0	200
Total	253	264	127	644

1800A - 1800A:	Total	333	264	173	770
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery -

TF 45-100 rds reported as falling on forward elements in vicinity CORONA (L5117) during the night and morning. 200 additional rds fell in that vicinity between 1640A and 1700A, preceeding a counterattack. 33 rds fell via OP at (L3906).

BEF- 200 rds fell on roads and lines of communication in (L5615) and (L5616) squares, preceeding counterattack at 1645A. 21 rds fell on forward infantry elements in the (L6222) and (L6520) squares. Roads in (L6518) and (L6520) squares received 27 rds, and 15 rds fell vicinity BOMBIANA (L5818).

6 (SA)-Forward infantry elements received a total of 52 rounds of which 17 rds fell in (7427) square, 12 rds in (7426) square and 10 rds in (7226) square. Roads received a total of 67 rds of which 30 rds fell in (8124) square, and 13 rds in (8037) square.

Nature of fire -

Harassing on roads and forward infantry elements with two concentrations of 200 rds each in connection with counterattack.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	69 AFA	Total
Btry in position	14	6	1	1	22
Harassing	6	4	3	1	14
Troops	3		2	13	18
Propaganda		18			18
Mortars				2	2
Vehicles				2	2
OP				1	1
Total	23	28	6	20	77

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	69 AFA	Total
Ground OP			2	18	20
Unobserved	23	28	4	2	57
Total	23	28	6	20	77

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 1st Plat, "B" Co, 13 Tk Bn, attached to 424 FA Group (operational control) is now in position at 1600 - 145.

b. While firing on vehicles around a house at 1493-179, the 68 AFA Bn got a direct hit on one vehicle completely destroying it.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 281800Z Nov to
291800Z Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 175.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The M. TERMINALE (L5621), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), RONCUDELO (L7331), SIBANO (L7529), and LAMA (L7834) areas were indicated active by shell reports and sound locations.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

281800Z - 290600Z:	TF 45	BEF	6 (S.)	IV Corps
Unk	0	5	4	9
Lt	0	42	8	50
Med	0	5	11	16
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	52	23	75

290600Z - 291800Z:	TF 45	BEF	6 (S.)	IV Corps
Unk	15	15	54	84
Lt	0	54	191	245
Med	0	37	21	58
Hvy	0	0	4	4
Total	15	106	270	391

281800Z - 291800Z:	TF 45	BEF	6 (S.)	IV Corps
	15	158	293	466

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector:

Vic 71 H.A. Regt OP (3906) - 15 rds.
Shelling was reported in 5014, 5116, and 5015 squares but number of rounds was unknown.

BEF sector:

Roads received a total 118 rds of which 42 rds fell in 5516 square, 35 rds in 6314 square, and 33 rds in 6215 square.
Vic SILLI (5814) - 6 rds. Vic MARINO (6219) - 20 rds.
Forward infantry elements received 7 rds in 6421 square, 6521 and 6320 squares.

6 (S.) sector:

Roads received a total of 95 rds of which 44 rds fell in 8124 square and 20 rds in 8024 square.
Forward infantry elements received 141 rds of which 35 rds fell in 7422 square, 20 rds in 7326 square, 15 rds in 7726 square.

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fire on road nets and forward infantry elements.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. 1st Plat, "B" Co, 13 Tk Bn opened new position (600-145) at 290200Z.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	68 AF	Total
Btry in position	14	7	0	1	22
Harassing	21	23	3	15	62
Personnel	1	0	3	10	14
MG - Mortar	0	0	0	3	3
Propaganda	0	0	0	11	11
Total	36	30	6	40	112

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD Bn	751 Tk Bn	168 LAA	68 AF	Total
Ground OP	1	0	3	16	20
Unobserved	35	30	3	24	92
Total	36	30	6	40	112

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 1st Plat, "A" Co, 894 TD Bn detached IV Corps Arty as of 290200.
- 3rd Plat, "B" Co, 13 Tk Bn attached IV Corps Arty as of 290600.
- 1st Plat, "B" Co, 13 Tk Bn attached IV Corps Arty (to be used in Arty role) as of 290600.
- Based on intelligence reports that there were approximately 400 enemy in CORONA (518-177) a 100 round concentration was fired on that point. An observer reported a fire started.

Unconfirmed reports indicated that 2 enemy tanks were knocked out by our artillery fire on an enemy counter-attack in this area last night.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 291800A Nov to
301800A Nov 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 176.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

291800A - 300600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	4	58	62
Lt	0	0	46	46
Med	0	0	5	5
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	0	4	114	118

300600A - 301800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	1	25	26
Lt	8	24	68	100
Med	0	3	0	3
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	8	28	93	129

291800A - 301800A:	8	32	207	247
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Road (5116) - 3 rds.

Forward infantry elements (5418) - 5 rds.

BEF sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 28 rds of which 4 rds were in 6621 sq., and 24 rds in 6522 sq.

Vic RIOLA (6419) - 4 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 28 rds; 12 rds in 7021 sq., and 9 rds in 8126 sq.

Roads received a total of 53 rds, 25 rds of which were in 8124 sq., and 15 rds in 7926 sq.

Vic MONZUNO (8224) - 50 rds. Vic M. STANCO (7122) - 12 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements and road nets.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	58 LAA	Total
Harassing	7	6	2	0	5	20
Strong points	3	2	1	2	0	8
Illuminating	0	0	1	0	0	1
Personnel	0	0	0	0	4	4
Total	10	8	4	2	9	33

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Ground OP	0	0	1	0	4	5
Unobserved	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>28</u>
Total	10	8	4	2	9	33

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Between 1200A and 1220A corps artillery fired three TOT's on enemy occupied towns of CASIGNO, MONTE FORTE and SASSOMULARE.
- b. CORONA was heavily harassed last night with a total of 280 rounds.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 011800A Dec to
021800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 178.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The shelling of LIZZANO (16620) indicated the CEREGLIO (16528) and RODIANO (16830) areas as being active.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

011800A - 020600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	11	3	20
Lt	0	3	0	3
Med	0	3	2	5
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	6	17	5	28
020600A - 021800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	69	115	184
Lt	9	94	27	130
Med	0	6	6	12
Hvy	0	0	2	2
Total	9	169	150	328
011800A - 021800A:	15	186	155	356

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

6 rds unknown caliber reported in 4106 square and 9 rds in 3906 square on forward infantry elements.

BEF sector

163 rds reported falling on roads and forward infantry elements in vicinity LIZZANO (6620). 13 rds reported falling vicinity RIOLA (6419).

6 (SA) sector

Approximately 61 rds fell on forward infantry elements in 6629 and 6721 squares during period. 46 rds reported falling on roads in 7623 square and 7926 square. 28 rds reported falling on forward infantry elements in 7426, 7726, and 8027 squares.

Nature of fire:

Concentrations reported falling on forward infantry elements and roads in vicinity LIZZANO (6620), otherwise general harassing.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -						
Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Btry in position		1	2			3
Harassing	8	8	3	5	4	28
Personnel	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>
Total	11	9	6	5	7	38
b. Observation -						
Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
AOP		1				1
Ground OP	3		1		3	7
Unobserved	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>30</u>
Total	11	9	6	5	7	38

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 1125 AFA Bn attached to IV Corps Arty as of 011612Z.
- b. Clear weather afforded an opportunity for AOP's to operate for the first time in over a week. Three enemy batteries were fired on, starting a fire at one position.
 Observation, however, was devoted primarily to getting all batteries registered in critical target areas. This was accomplished 100 %.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 021800A Dec to
031800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery dispositions -

Photo cover of 2 December indicates the following dispositions of enemy artillery east of the 56 easting.

MT TERMINALE (L5621)	4 positions	- 7 guns
SASSOMOLARE (L5824)	6 positions	- 14 guns
M ACIDOLA (L5923)	3 positions	- 5 guns
M DELLE SPE (L6126)	5 positions	- 10 guns
BOCCA DEI RAVARI (L6227)	2 positions	- 4 guns
CEREGLIO (L6528)	6 positions	- 13 guns
RODIANO (L6830)	2 positions	- 5 guns
CROCE DELLE		
PRADOLE (6935)	1 position	- 3 guns, 1 pos - 3 H.A.
RONCUDELO (L7331)	2 positions	- 5 guns
MEDELENA (L7435)	1 position	- 2 guns
SIBANO (L7529)	3 positions	- 5 guns
L.M. (L7834)	5 positions	- 16 guns, 1 pos - 4 H.A.
CAMPASCOTA (L8038)	4 positions	- 12 guns
CIRROQUE CARRI (L8233)	5 positions	- 12 guns
VIZZANO (L8339)	4 positions	- 10 guns
GANZOLA (L8337)	6 positions	- 10 guns
ERBOSINO (L8435)	3 positions	- 5 guns
POGGIO (L8539)	1 position	- 2 Med guns
S LORENZO (L8238)	4 positions	- 19 H.A. guns
COLLE ANENO (L8240)	3 positions	- 12 H.A. guns

b. Enemy Artillery activity -

Number of rounds reported -

	TF 45	BEF	6 (S4)	IV Corps
1800A - 0600A:				
Unk	0	13	7	20
Lt	0	49	23	72
Med	0	33	0	33
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	95	30	125
0600A - 1800A:				
Unk	0	63	40	103
Lt	8	32	55	95
Med	0	173	5	178
Hvy	0	0	1	1
Total	8	268	101	377
1800A - 1800A Total -	8	363	131	502

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

8 rds light near road (4913) square.

BEF Sector

75 rds vic RIOLA (6419) square, 37 rds near the SILLA bridge (5814), 11 rds in the (6216) square, 15 rds in the (5718) square, 158 rds in the (6317) square and 45 rds in the (6416) square.

6 (S4) Sector

40 rds fell on forward elements in squares 6621, 6520, 7927, 8125, 18 rds on roads in the 7926 and 8124 squares; 8 rds in the 8026 square; 21 rds unknown areas.

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Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward elements in the 6 (SA) sector, 140 rds of medium caliber fell in the 6317 square between 13204 and 13344.

Damage: None reported.

1. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

2. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Btry in pos	6	5	2	5	0	18
Harassing	11	6	5	4	6	32
Troops	13	4	0	0	4	21
Def. Conc.	2	2	0	2	0	6
Propaganda	0	18	0	0	0	18
Total	32	35	7	11	10	95

b. Observation -	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Ground OP	12	0	0	0	4	16
Unobserved	20	35	7	11	6	79
Total	32	35	7	11	10	95

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. BEF was subjected to two enemy attacks last night the first coming at 23004 in the 5718 square preceded by artillery and mortar fire. At 23544 the attack was reported dying down and at 00044 situation reported normal with no ground lost. The second attack began at 01404 in the 5718 square in greater strength than the previous attack causing 9th Co to withdraw from GUANELLA (5717). Corps Arty fired two defensive fires at request of BEF and a counterbattery program consisting of seven enemy batteries. At 07224 this morning BEF sent a patrol back to GUANELLA and finding nothing there the 9th Co re-occupied the town. Corps Arty fired another counterbattery program of seven enemy batteries to cover patrol re-entering GUANELLA.
- b. A new flash base has been set up at CASOLA in the 6012 square. It will be in operation tomorrow morning.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 031800A Dec to
041800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No indicated change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity-

Number of rounds reported:

031800A - 040600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SL)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	30	30
Lt	10	10	11	31
Med	0	8	0	8
Hvy	0	8	0	8
Total	10	26	41	77

040600A - 041800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SL)	IV Corps
Unk	10	23	48	81
Lt	10	37	109	156
Med	0	22	13	35
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	20	82	170	272

031800A - 041800A:	30	108	211	349
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (4006) - 30 rds.

BEF sector

Roads received a total of 27 rds, 23 rds in 6518 sq.

Vic MARANO (6219) - 59 rds.

Vic RIOLA (6419) - 14 rds.

Forward infantry elements received 6 rds in 6122 sq.

6 (SL) sector

Roads received a total of 90 rds, 27 rds in 8224 sq, 15 rds in 7624 sq, 15 rds in 7923 sq, 11 rds in 8124 sq, and 10 rds in 8825 sq.

Forward infantry elements received a total of 102 rds, 22 rds in 7625 sq, 18 rds in 7426 sq, 13 rds in 7122 sq, 11 rds in 8024 sq, 10 rds in 8125 sq, 10 rds in 7326 sq.

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fire on roads, forward infantry elements, towns and bridges.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Type						
Btry in position	2	6	4	1	0	13
Harassing	5	0	0	4	4	13
Personnel	9	1	0	1	3	14
MG's & Mortars	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	16	7	4	6	8	41

b. Observation -	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Type						
Ground OP	6	0	0	0	7	13
Unobserved	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>28</u>
Total	16	7	4	6	8	41

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. TOT's were fired at 1640L and 1650L on two troop concentrations reported through S-2 channels.

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Period: 041800A Dec to
051800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The SASSOMOLARE (L5824), M ACIDOLA (L5923), PRADOLE (L6935), RONCUDELO (L7331) and SIBANO (L7529) areas were indicated active by shell reports.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

041800A - 050600A;	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	8	120	128
Lt	0	0	35	35
Med	0	0	4	4
Hvy	0	0	3	3
Total	0	8	162	170

050600A - 051800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	6	40	46
Lt	10	33	95	138
Med	0	20	0	20
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	10	59	135	204

041800A - 051800A: -	10	67	297	374
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Vic CATIGLIANA (4006) - 10 rds

BEF Sector

Vic MORANO (6219) - 28 rds; vic GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) - 27 rds;
vic SILLA (5814) - 6 rds; vic PORRETTA (5812) - 2 rds; road (6019) -
several rds.

6 (SA) Sector

Point 826-(7326) - 24 rds; 103 rds on forward elements - (7327) -
30 rds; (7426) - 31 rds; (8025) - 9 rds; (7326) - 9 rds; vic GRIZZANO
(7222) - 25 rds; vic MONZULLO (8224) - 2 rds; vic COMPERARO (7223) - 6 rds;
unk areas - 107 rds; roads (7623) - 6 rds; (7321) - 6 rds.

Nature of fire:

Increase of harassing on villages in BEF and 6 (SA) sectors, with
balance on forward infantry areas and small amount on roads.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Btry in pos	1	1	1			3
Harassing	7	5	8	7	2	29
Troops			2		5	7
CP or CP			1			1
Mortars or MG's					2	2
Total	8	6	12	7	9	42

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3. OPERATIONS: Cont'd.

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Ground OP			3		5	8
Unobserved	$\frac{8}{8}$	$\frac{6}{6}$	$\frac{9}{12}$	$\frac{7}{7}$	$\frac{4}{9}$	$\frac{34}{42}$
Total	8	6	12	7	9	42

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- The assault guns, 751 Tk Bn now have two new type guns in action, two M445 tanks mounting 105mm howitzers.
- While firing on personnel in and around a house at 695-213, the 168 LAA got several direct hits on the house.
- 68 AFA Bn got two target hits on an enemy outpost position at 517-185.

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- 6 424 FA Group
- 1 68 AFA Bn
- 1 1125 AFA Bn
- 1 167 LAA Btry
- 1 4/22 Fd Regt
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 051800A Dec to
061800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover on 5 December revealed that most of the guns in the M. TERMINALE area had withdrawn to the NW for a distance of approximately 1500 meters. Over the entire front the following changes in enemy artillery dispositions were noted:

	New Positions	Old positions	Unoc.
Vic M. TERMINALE (L5621)	3 pos - 7 guns	3 pos - 6 guns	
Vic SASSO MOLARE (L5824)	1 pos - 2 guns		
Vic M. DELLE SPE (L6126)	1 pos - 2 guns	2 pos - 3 guns	
16824 square	1 pos - 3 guns		
Vic RONCUDELO (L7331)		1 pos - 2 guns	
Vic CIRRIQUE CARRI (L8233)	2 pos - 2 guns		
Vic GANZOLLA (L8337)	1 pos - 1 gun		

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA.)	IV Corps
051800A - 060600A:				
Unk	0	13	10	23
Lt	0	0	11	11
Med	0	17	0	17
Hvy	0	3	0	3
Total	0	33	21	54

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA.)	IV Corps
060600A - 061800A:				
Unk	9	6	130	145
Lt	0	6	50	56
Med	0	16	3	19
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	9	28	183	220

051800A - 061800A:	9	61	204	274
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) - 9 rds Unk cal.

BEF sector

Vic RIOLLA (L6419) - 20 rds; Vic LISSANO (L6620) - 10 rds
Road (L6217) - 8 rds; Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516) - 6 rds.

6 (SA.) sector

A total of 50 rds reported as falling on forward infantry elements in the (L7224) sq, L7326 and 7426 squares.

Roads - (L7926) - 53 rds; (L8024) - 8 rds; (L8124) - 9 rds.

Rear areas - (L7225) - 3 rds; (L8025) - 5 rds; (L8026) - 6 rds. Unknown areas - 34 rds Unk and 3 rds Med.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, forward infantry elements and towns in all sectors.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Btry in pos	2	0	2	0	0	4
Personnel	4	0	1	0	6	11
Harassing	7	4	3	4	0	18
CP or CP	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	13	4	7	4	6	34

b. Observation ..

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	Total
Ground OP	0	0	1	0	6	7
Unobserved	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>27</u>
Total	13	4	7	4	6	34

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Corps Arty fired a TOT on enemy kitchen and personnel in vic 634-269 today at 1700..

b. 3rd Plat, "A" Co, 751 Tk Bn reverted to control of parent unit as of 032400..

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 061800Z Dec to
071800Z Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

061800Z - 070600Z:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	12	24	36
Lt	0	0	5	5
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	12	29	41

070600Z - 071800Z:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	12	0	37	49
Lt	59	0	115	174
Med	0	8	12	20
Hvy	0	0	3	3
Total	71	8	167	246

061800Z - 071800Z:	Total - 71	20	196	287
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 - 47 rds fell vic CUTIGLIANO (4006); 12 rds fell vic VIGORANET (4205) and 12 rds fell in the (4305) square.

BEF - 12 rds fell north of RIOLA (6419) and 8 rds vic of SILLA (5814)
6 (SA) 145 rds fell on forward elements in squares 7124, 7125, 7123, 7023, 7222, 7224, 7422, 7726, 7926, 7724; 34 rds on roads in squares 7624, 7926.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward elements and roads.

Damage:

4 direct hits on an Inf OP in the 6 (SA) sector. No casualties.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. 1125 AF Bn opened new position 563-123 at 1500Z.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AF	Total
Harassing	3	1	2	1		7
Personnel					1	1
Total	3	1	2	1	1	8

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AF	Total
Ground OP					1	1
Unobserved	3	1	2	1		7
Total	3	1	2	1	1	8

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Assault guns, 751 Tk Bn fired propaganda leaflets on 19 selected points during the day.

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081800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

071800A - 080600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	86	86
Lt	0	0	25	25
Med	0	36	40	76
Hvy	0	0	10	10
Total	0	36	161	197

080600A - 081800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	3	300	5	308
Lt	0	63	90	153
Med	0	13	0	13
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	3	376	95	474

071800A - 081800A:	3	412	256	671
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Road in L3906 sq - 3 rds.

BEF sector

Roads at L6218, L6220, L5615, L5816, - 57 rds.

Forward infantry elements at L6320, L6420, L6322, L6321 - 49 rds

Vic AFFRICO (L6221) and VOLPARA (L6220) - 300 rds Unk cal.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 135 rds, 49 rds in L8024, 32 rds in L8027, 15 rds in L7125, 13 rds in L7326.

Roads received a total of 31 rds, 10 rds in L6518, 15 rds in L8125.

Nature of fire:

The enemy devoted practically all of their shelling to roads and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

6 (SA) reported one casualty.

2 Co, 1st Bn, 6 Inf Regt reported 3 wounded, 1 killed.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. 4/22 Fd Regt opened new CP at L659-162 at 081100A.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	1125 AFA	Total
Harassing	6	2	3	3	3	0	17
Personnel	2	2	1	1	4	0	10
Strong point	0	0	1	1	1	0	3
	8	4	5	5	8	0	30

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	168 LAA	13 Tk	68 AFA	1125 AFA	Total
Ground CP	0	0	2	1	5	0	8
Unobserved	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22</u>
Total	8	4	5	5	8	0	30

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. A TOT of all available (29 guns) was fired on an enemy CP and assembly area at 1000A.

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- 1 - 1125 AFA Bn
- 1 - 167 LAA Btry
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Period: 081800A Dec to
091800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 185.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The M TERMINALE (L5621), SASSOMOLARE (L5824), CEREGLIO (L6528), RODIANO (L6830), CROCE DELLE PRADOLE (L6939), SIPANO (L7529) and LAMA (L7834) were active during period.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported -

081800A - 090600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	54	0	54
Lt	8	30	20	58
Med	0	68	0	68
Hvy	0	0	1	1
Total	8	152	21	181
090600A - 091800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	12	52	64
Lt	0	93	127	220
Med	0	6	6	12
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	0	111	190	301
081800A - 091800A: Total	8	263	211	482

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector - Vic LAZZANO (L5112) - 8 rds.
BEF Sector - vic PORRETTA (L5812) - 18 rds; vic MORANO (L6319) - 12 rds; vic SILLA (L5814) - 60 rds; vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516) - 23 rds; vic LISSANO (L6620) - 6 rds; forward infantry elements 63-22 and 60-20 squares - 14 rds; roads 63-21, 66-19, 62-15, 58-13, 63-18, 61-17, 64-18, 62-18 squares - 85 rds.
6 (SA) Sector - 124 rds on forward infantry elements 79-24 - 18 rds; 73-25 - 14 rds; 78-27 - 12 rds; 79-26 - 28 rds. Roads 77-24 and 78-23 squares - 7 rds.

Nature of fire:

Considerable increase of harassing on road net and villages in BEF sector. Bulk of shelling in 6 (SA) Sector was on forward infantry elements.

Damage:

BEF Div Arty reports slight damage to a 1/2 tracked vehicle. 1125 Armd FA Bn reports 2 vehicles damaged.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	68 Armd FA Bn.	1125 Armd FA Bn	424 Gp	Total
Battery in position	0	0	3	3
Harassing	4	0	12	16
Personnel	8	0	5	13
Total	12	0	20	32

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3. OPERATIONS: Cont'd

b. Observation -

Type	68 Armd FA Bn	1125 Armd FA Bn	424 Gp	Total
Ground OP	8	0	2	10
Unobserved	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>22</u>
Total	12	0	20	32

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Corps Arty fired a TOT on enemy movement in vic of 522-200 at 1800A.

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Period: 091800A Dec to
101800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions
No change indicated.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

091800A - 100600A	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	6	6	124	136
Lt	7	59	0	66
Med	0	27	44	71
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	13	92	173	278
100600A - 101800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	14	7	20	41
Lt	10	90	95	195
Med	2	44	12	58
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	26	141	127	294
091800A - 101800A:	39	233	300	572

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 25 rounds in L3906 sq and 9 rounds in L5116 sq.

BEF sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 48 rounds, 30 rounds in L6322, 6 rds in L6222, 8 rds in L6019 and 4 rds in L5618. 60 rds fell vic MARANO (L6219). 21 rds reported as falling vic SILLA (L5814) and 22 rds in vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516). 33 rds fell vic PORRETTA (L5712) and 20 rds fell vic B, 894 TD Bn (L623-158). 6 rds and a concentration of unknown number of rds fell vic CP IV Bn BEF Arty (L6418). 18 rds on roads in L5813, L5715, and L5915 squares.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 118 rounds, 22 rds in L7927, 25 rds in L8027, 19 rds in L7726, 18 rds in L7224, and 12 rds in L6219.

Roads received a total of 74 rounds, 20 rds in L7926, 21 rds in L7924, 19 rds in L8024 and 11 rds in L7923. VERGATO (L7025) received a total of 50 rds during period. 28 rounds reported as falling in Unknown areas.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements in all sectors and roads and villages in the BEF and 6 (SA) sectors.

Damage:

III Bn BEF reported 2 Jeeps and 1 radio damaged.
235th Engineers reported 5 men wounded, 2 seriously.
1 American slightly wounded in IV FA Bn, BEF area.
68 Armd FA Bn reported 2 casualties.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	13 Tk	168 LAA	1125 AFA	68 AFA	Total
Btry in pos	9	1	1	2	3	2	18
MG-Mortars	0	0	0	1	0	5	6
Harassing	2	2	1	3	0	0	8
Personnel	1	0	2	1	0	3	7
CP - OP	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	12	3	4	7	3	11	40

b. Observation -

Type	894 TD	751 Tk	13 Tk	168 LAA	1125 AFA	68 AFA	Total
AOP	1	1	1	1	1	2	7
Ground OP	1	0	2	2	0	8	13
Unobserved	10	2	1	4	2	1	20
Total	12	3	4	7	3	11	40

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Clear weather permitted flying 11 AOP missions, and obtaining good photo cover.

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- 6 - 424 FA Group
- 1 - 68 Armd FA Bn
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Period: 101800A Dec to
111800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Incomplete photo cover of 10 December revealed six new positions totaling 10 guns. One old position became unoccupied. Changes noted were as follows:

	New Position	Old Position	Unoc.
Northeast of FANARO (L4619)	1 pos - 1 gun		
Vic PIETRA COLORA (L5922)	1 pos - 3 guns		
Vic RODIANO (L6730)	1 pos - 2 guns		
Vic CANOVELLA (L7832)	1 pos - 1 gun		
Vic CAMPASCOTA (L8038)	2 pos - 3 guns	1 pos - 3 guns	

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:				
101800A - 110600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SL)	IV Corps
Unk	0	116	25	141
Lt	0	0	45	45
Med	0	12	2	14
Hvy	0	2	1	3
Total	0	130	73	203
110600A - 111800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SL)	IV Corps
Unk	0	12	21	33
Lt	45	42	115	202
Med	0	47	28	75
Hvy	0	0	15	15
Total	45	101	179	325
101800A - 111800A:	45	231	252	528

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) - 40 rds.
Vic CASTELLUCCO (L5411) - 5 rds.

BEF sector

Vic A Troop, 168 LAA (L6416) - 50 rds.
Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L5516) - 22 rds, vic RIOLA (L6419) - 3 rds. Vic MARANO Bridge (6219) - 4 rds, forward infantry elements in 6221, 6322, 6422, 6722 received a total of 87 rds. Vic B Co, 894 TD Bn (L6115) - 50 rds.

6 (SL) sector

Roads received a total of 68 rds of which 50 rds were in (L8026) and 15 rds in (L7624). Forward infantry elements received a total of 117 rds of which 49 rds were in (L7927), 20 rds in (L6516), and 25 rds in (L6822).

Nature of fire:

A concentration of 50 rds was received at 0400A vic A Troop, 168 LAA, and another concentration of 50 rds was received at 1200A vic B Co, 894 TD Bn. Harassing fire upon forward infantry elements, towns and roads constituted the principal enemy artillery activity.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. 3rd Platoon, A Co, 751 Tk Bn located at 595-144, now under operational control 424 FA Group.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -	424 FA Gp	68 Armd FA Bn	1125 Armd FA Bn	Total
Type				
Btry in position	6	0	3	9
Personnel	1	6	1	8
OP - CP	1	0	0	1
Harassing	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>
	17	6	4	27

b. Observation -	424 FA Gp	68 Armd FA Bn	1125 Armd FA Bn	Total
Type				
Ground OP	4	6	1	11
Unobserved	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>16</u>
	17	6	4	27

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 68 Armd FA Bn fired 150 rounds of propaganda shell on 15 selected concentrations; 1125 Armd FA Bn also fired 160 rounds of propaganda shell.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 111800A Dec to
121800A Dec 44

S-3 REPORT NO 188.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

In BEF zone the area north of Mt TERMINALE (L5621) and the PIETRA COLORA (L5922) area showed the greatest activity. In 6 (SA) Armd Div zone the area northeast of MARZABOTTO (L7731) was the most active.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1800A to 0600A:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	4	51	55
Lt	0	0	32	32
Med	0	5	52	57
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	0	9	140	149

0600A to 1800A:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	12	47	69	128
Lt	56	122	64	242
Med	9	114	66	189
Hvy	0	0	28	28
Total	77	283	227	587

1800A to 1800A:

	Total	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
	77	292*	367	736	

* NOTE: This total does not include several large concentrations of unknown number of rounds.

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Vic QUERCIOIA (5116) - 20 rds; forward infantry (5217) - 20 rds;
(5116) - 25 rds; road (5115) - 2 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) - 66 rds; vic SILLA (5814) - 11 rds; vic
OP at 591-191 - hvy shelling; vic MORANO (6319) - 2 rds; vic ABETAILA
(5718) - hvy shelling; roads total 82 rds: (6115) - 20 rds, (6117) - 22 rds,
forward infantry (6722) - 23 rds, (6621) - 18 rds, (6322) - 4 rds.

6 (SA) Sector

Roads received total of 131 rds - (7926) - 83 rds, (7722) - 23 rds; 124 rds
on forward infantry (7927) - 53 rds, (8027) - 29 rds; unk areas - 76 rds.

Nature of fire:

Shell reports indicate that between 0830A and 1110A three concentrations, reported as heavy shelling, unknown number of rounds, were received by BEF elements southeast of Mt COSTELLO (L5619) as a reaction to the attack today upon that objective. In addition 10 rds CB fire were directed against "B" Co of 894 TD Bn and an unknown number of rds landed vic 621-173 which probably were intended for the IV Bn, BEF. Harassing fire was placed upon roads and forward infantry elements. Extensive shelling in 6 (SA) Armd Div of roads and infantry. In TF 45 sector bulk of the shelling was on the infantry.

Damage:

Although no specific casualties or damage can be attributed at present to artillery fire alone, it is very probable that some resulted from the days operation in BEF and TF 45 Sectors. Further evaluation of this effect may be possible when more complete reports are received from units participating.

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LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	68 AFA	1125 AFA	424 FA Gp	Total
Btry in position	2	5	29	36
Harassing	0	24	44	68
Personnel	18	3	3	24
Mortars & MG	21	3	0	24
Total	41	35	76	152

b. Observation -

Type	68 AFA	1125 AFA	424 FA Gp	Total
Ground OP	22	6	5	33
Unobserved	19	29	71	119
Total	41	35	76	152

MISCELLANEOUS:

- On request of BEF Inf an SP gun was fired on at 554-194 by 894 TD's with good effect. The gun was neutralized and did not fire again.
- The 167 LAA Btry in the initial stages of the attack to day fired 3,000 rds of HE and AP in 21 minutes into enemy positions on the slopes of BELVEDERE Ridge (5518).
- The 68 AFA Bn and the 1125 AFA Bn used time fire extensively against enemy positions on the left flank in support of the BEF. To add to the effect and prevent observation 25% M57 was used.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 121800A Dec to
131800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 189.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change indicated.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

121800A - 130600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	2	0	22	24
Lt	1	12	11	24
Med	0	12	17	29
Hvy	0	0	5	3
Total	3	24	53	80

130600A - 131800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	59	59
Lt	10	0	143	153
Med	0	5	26	31
Hvy	0	0	7	7
Total	10	5	235	250

121800A - 131800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
	13	29	288	330

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 10 rounds in L3706 sq. 2 rounds reported as falling in CUTIGLIANO (L4006). 1 round reported as falling at QUERCIOIA (L5116).

BEF sector

17 rounds reported as falling in the L5814 sq. and 12 rounds reported as falling vicinity of GAGGIO MONTANA (L5516).

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 189 rounds of which 56 rounds fell in L7927 sq; 28 rounds in L8026 sq; 20 rounds in L6821 sq, 14 rounds in L8124 sq, and 12 rounds in L7823 sq. 6 rounds in L8226 sq and 45 rounds reported as falling in unknown areas.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, towns, and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

6 (SA) Div reported one man slightly injured.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	68 AFA	1125 AFA	Total
Harassing	5	2	0	7
Personnel	0	1	1	2
MG - Mortars	0	0	2	2
Total	5	3	3	11

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3. OPERATIONS (cont'd)

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	68 AFA	1125 AFA	Total
Ground OP	0	1	2	3
Unobserved	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>
Total	5	3	3	11

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. The 88-mm gun which has been out of operation due to a faulty breach block, has been replaced by another gun which is now in position at 6155-1561 and ready to fire.
- b. 1125 Armd FA Bn fired 150 rounds of propaganda shell and 68 Armd FA Bn fired 140 rounds of propaganda shell during the afternoon.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 131800A Dec to
141800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 190.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

In BEF sector, active enemy artillery areas were spread across the front, with the SASSOMOLARE (L5824) and MT. ACIDOLA (L5923) areas showing particular activity.

In the 6th (SA) Armd Div sector, gun areas along Hwy 64 between 33 and 35 Northings were the most active, with some fire being received from positions near the BEF and the II Corps boundaries.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

131800A - 140600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	25	25
Lt	0	0	5	5
Med	0	12	25	37
Hvy	0	0	15	15
Total	0	12	70	82

140600A - 141800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	47	185	232
Lt	5	92	155	252
Med	0	112	30	142
Hvy	0	0	35	35
Total	5	251	405	661

13800A - 141800A:	5	263	475	743
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Received 1 rd of lt on a road in the 5014 sq and 4 rds in an unknown area.

BEF Sector

"B"-Co 894 TD Bn received 15 rds of CB fire (6115). 168 LAA received 22 rds of CB fire (6315). 1st Btry, IV FA Bn, BEF, received 25 rds of CB fire (6117). 35 rds fell at GAGGIO MONTANO (5516). 41 rds fell in Vic of SILLA (5814). 18 rds fell in vic of RIOLA (6519). 11 rds fell in vic of MARANO (6219). 9 rds fell in vic of CA DI SCROCCHI (6214). 6 rds fell in vic of CASTEL DI CASIO (6312). 6 rds fell in vic of PIETRE BIANCHE (6414). 44 rds fell on roads in the following squares; (6420) (6316) (6216) (6215) (6115) (6117) (5817). 20 rds fell on forward areas in squares (5718) (6622).

6 (SA) Sector

Total of 231 rds of mixed caliber fell on forward elements, with 50 rds in (8026)sq., 67 rds in (7927) sq., 18 rds in (6519)sq., and the remainder scattered across the front. 52 rds on roads in sq's (7420) (7521) (7522) (7824) (7924) (7926). 33 rds of lt fell in GRIZZANO (7222).

Nature of fire:

Several instances of ineffective enemy counterbattery fire occurred during the day in the BEF Sector. Harassing fire on bridges and roads increased over the preceeding period. In the 6th(SA) Armd Div Sector harassing fire on forward elements constituted the bulk of the enemy's shelling.

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Damage:

Two men were wounded and one truck set on fire in the vicinity of SIIIA.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS.

a. Assault Guns, 13 Tk Bn opened new position at 574-136.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Btry in position	25	0	5	30
Harassing	14	0	0	14
MG & Mortars	0	2	0	2
Personnel	0	9	1	10
Total	39	11	6	56

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
ΔOP	4	0	6	10
Ground OP	0	11	0	11
Unobserved	35	0	0	35
Total	39	11	6	56

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Lt Gaines, FO, adjusted "A" Btry, 1125 AFA Bn using time fire on enemy personnel digging at 534-172. The effect was very good-several enemy were observed lying on the ground when the mission was completed.

b. Fair weather permitted ΔOP's to adjust on nine enemy batteries. On two missions the effect was not observed because of fog, but on all other missions rounds fell in the target area. On one mission fired by the IV FA Bn (155H-BEF) six rounds were within 25 yds. Another mission fired by the 751 Tk Bn assault guns caused a large explosion.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 141800A Dec to
151800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 191:

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The SIRANO (L7529) area was very active during period. The RODIANO (L6830), RONCUDELO (L7331), and CIRRIQUE CARRI (L8233) areas showed some activity.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

141800A - 150600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	85	85
Lt	21	0	16	37
Med	0	0	18	18
Hvy	0	0	8	8
Total	21	0	127	148
150600A - 151800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	6	19	100	125
Lt	9	20	176	205
Med	0	8	140	148
Hvy	0	0	7	7
Total	15	47	423	485
141800A - 151800A:	Total - 36	47	550	633

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Vic CUTIGLIANO (L4006) - 27 rds; forward infantry elements (L5216) 7 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic RIOLA (L6419) - 12 rds; vic SILLA (L5814) - 5 rds; vic CP, III Bn (BEF) (L6519) - 27 rds.

6 (SA) Sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 291 rds, of which were 35 rds in (L7326), 60 rds in (L7927), 16 rds in (L8025), 47 rds in (L8026), 22 rds in (L7125), 64 rds in (L7623), 15 rds in (L7223), and 10 rds in (L8226). Roads received a total of 63 rds of which were 10 rds in (L7926), 23 rds in (L7924), and 15 rds in (L7522).

Nature of fire:

Chiefly harassing fire on forward infantry elements and roads in 6 (SA) sector.

Damage:

6 (SA) reported 4 men wounded and one man killed.

LOCATION OF TROOPS;

a. 2nd Plat, "A" Co, 751 Tk Bn opened new position (L627-151) at 1730A.

b. 3rd Plat, "A" Co, 751 Tk Bn opened new position (L629-151) at 1730A.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Group	68 Armd FA	1125 Armd FA	Total
Btry in position	11		1	12
Harassing	14	2		16
Personnel	2	3	4	9
Vehicles	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	29	5	5	39

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Group	68 Armd FA	1125 Armd FA	Total
Air OP	5		1	6
Ground OP	6	3	4	13
Unobserved	<u>18</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>20</u>
Total	29	5	5	39

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Air OP's again took advantage of good weather by flying a total of 16 missions. Adjustments were made on 12 enemy battery locations, with rds reported in pits of four positions.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 151800A Dec to
161800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 192:

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Ground CP's reported enemy guns in 5017 and 6525 squares and the sound base located single guns in 8142 and 8147 squares. Shell reports indicate that the SASSOMOLARE (L5824), MACIDOLA (L5923), CEREGLIO (L6528), RODILANO (L6830) and CIRROQUE CARRI (L8233) areas were also active.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

151800A - 160600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	35	2	31	68
Lt	0	11	36	47
Med	0	27	3	30
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	35	40	70	145

160600A - 161800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	15	26	62	103
Lt	0	134	86	220
Med	0	55	12	67
Hvy	0	0	43	43
Total	15	215	203	433

151800A - 161800A:	Total	50	255	273	578
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Vic QUERCIOLO (5116) - 15 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) - 9 rds; vic PORRETTA (5812) - 8 rds; vic SILLA (5814) - 1 rd; vic BOMBILANO (5818) - 9 rds; roads (5615) - 20 rds, (6316) - 29 rds, (6416) - 66 rds, (6417) - 7 rds and (6516) - 30 rds; forward infantry areas (6222) - 4 rds, (6322) - 53 rds, (63-21) - 4 rds, (6421) - 3 rds, (6422) - 6 rds.

6 (SA) Sector

Roads (6414) - 2 rds, (7124) - 1 rds, (7926) - 7 rds, (8024) - 6 rds and (8224) - 38 rds. Forward infantry areas: (7021) - 14 rds, with (8026) - 20 rds, (6922) - 12 rds, (7325) - 17 rds and (6416) - 20 rds.

The heavy caliber reported by CRA fell on the following targets: 35 rds on forward infantry in the 7125 and 7224 squares, 4 rds on a road in the 8224 square and 4 rds in unknown area.

Nature of fire:

Usual harassing of roads and forward infantry with increase of village harassment in BEF sector.

Damage:

III FA Bn, BEF, reports 9 wounded and 1 killed.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. "B" Btry, 68 Armd FA Bn opened new position (557116) at 1800A.

b. "C" Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn opened new position (572133) at 1445A.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 Armd FA Bn	1125 Armd FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	8	1	1	10
Harassing	12	4	1	17
Personnel	3	1	2	6
Mortars		1		1
Vehicles		2		2
Smoke Pots		1		1
Total	23	10	4	37

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 Armd FA Bn	1125 Armd FA Bn	Total
Ground CP	2	6	2	10
Unobserved	21	4	2	27
Total	23	10	4	37

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Assault gun plat, 13 Tk Bn (under control 68 Armd FA Bn) moved one gun to 492-135 and fired direct fire on CORONA (5117 sq)
- b. 100 rds propaganda shells were fired by "B" Btry, 1125 Armd FA Bn, on 10 concentrations.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 161800Z Dec to
171800Z Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 193.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

In BEEF sector, the SASSOMOLARE (L5824), M. ACIDOLA (L5923) and CASTEL D'AIANO (L6126) areas showed the greatest activity. In 6 (SA) Armd Div sector, enemy guns along Hwy 64 north of MARZABOTTO (L7731), and guns in (L8032) and (L8133) squares were the most active.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

161800Z - 170600Z:	TF 45	BEEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	16	31	47
Lt	0	34	56	90
Med	0	105	20	125
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	155	107	262

170600Z - 171800Z:	TF 45	BEEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0
Lt	11	58	81	150
Med	0	129	9	138
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	11	187	90	288

161800Z - 171800Z:	11	342	197	550
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Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 7 rounds in the L3806 sq. 4 rds fell in vicinity QUERCIOLE (L5116).

BEEF sector

Roads received a total of 132 rds with 20 rds falling in the L6316 sq, 36 rds in L6216 sq, 14 rds in L6415 sq, and 36 rds in L6519 sq.

"B", 894 TD Bn reported a total of 60 rds falling in the vicinity of their gun position at L625-158.

Vic MARANO (L6219) - 40 rds. Vic RIOLA (L6419) - 95 rds.

Some shellreps received listing total number of rounds as unknown, but indicating area shelled as vic RIOLA (L6419) and MARANO (6219)

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 115 rounds of which 20 fell in the L8126 sq, 49 rds in the L8226 sq, 18 rds in the L7926 sq and 10 rds in the L7925 sq. 18 rds fell on roads in the L8124 sq, and L7521 sq. 25 rds reported as falling in unknown areas.

Nature of fire:

General harassing with some concentrations reported as falling in vicinity RIOLA (L6419) and MARANO (6219).

Damage: BEEF reports one British soldier wounded and two vehicles damaged.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. See Station List, Hq IV Corps Artillery, dated 17 December 1944.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AF Bn	1125 AF Bn	Total
Btry in position	9	3	2	14
Harassing	15	2	0	17
Strong point	7	0	0	7
Personnel	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>
	37	6	3	46

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AF Bn	1125 AF Bn	Total
LOP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	3	3	0	6
Unobserved	<u>34</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>40</u>
	37	6	3	46

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Based upon information gathered from various S-2 sources, TOTs were fired upon the following targets: Troop concentration in SALT0 (L548-261) at 17304; enemy battery and CP (L523-201) at 19004 and 20154 (a pre-Christmas party was supposed to be held at this point); enemy troops at FIOCCHI (L513-187) and at PIETRA COLORA (L596-221). All available artillery (a total of 72 guns) was fired on troops and military activity at L587-234.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 171800A Dec to
181800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 194.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The SASSMOLARE (L5824) area showed the greatest activity in the BEF sector. Enemy shelling in the 6 (SA) Armd Div sector was principally from the gun areas between the 80 and 83 Eastings.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported;

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
171800A - 180600A:				
Unk	24	0	18	42
Lt	0	0	11	11
Med	0	94	0	94
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	24	94	29	147
180600A - 181800A:				
Unk	0	11	44	55
Lt	0	1	144	145
Med	0	26	109	135
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	0	38	302	340
171800A - 181800A:	24	132	331	487

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

8 rds on forward areas (3906) sq.
16 rds on forward areas (5116) sq.

BEF sector

105 rds fell on roads, 60 rds of which were in the vicinity of PORRETTA (L5812); 28 rds vic SILLA (L5814); 10 rds in (6015) sq, and 5 rds in (6217) sq. 19 rds fell in vic of RIOLA (6519) sq. 4 rds fell in vic of MARANO (6319) sq.

6 (SA) sector

90 rds fell on forward elements with 15 rds in the (7924) sq, 25 rds in the (7224) sq, 12 rds in the (8128) sq, and 12 rds in the (8127) sq. 131 rds on roads with 106 rds in the (8124) sq, and 25 rds in the (8024) sq. 68 rds fell in MQL ZUNO (8224) sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on roads and forward areas with several concentrations reported.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Changes to Station List, Hq IV Corps Artillery, dated 17 December 44:

751 Tk Bn

2nd Platoon (76 G)

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3rd Platoon (75 G)

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 F4 Gp	68 AF4 Bn	1125 AF4 Bn	Total
Btry in position	2	0	0	2
Harassing	17	0	3	20
Troops	5	1	0	6
OP - CP	0	1	0	1
Tanks	0	1	0	1
Total	24	3	3	30

b. Observation -

Type	424 F4 Gp	68 AF4 Bn	1125 AF4 Bn	Total
OP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	4	2	0	6
Unobserved	20	1	3	24
Total	24	3	3	30

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Metro messages will now be sent out to the units at 0600, 1800, and 2400 hours daily.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 181800A Dec to
191800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 195.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Two 170-mm guns were located in L7240 sq by sound ranging.
These do not show on the latest photo cover, December 10.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported;

181800A - 180600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	6	6	12
Lt	0	82	20	102
Med	0	27	20	47
Hvy	0	0	30	30
Total	0	115	76	191

190600A - 191800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	3	3
Lt	0	15	29	44
Med	0	0	0	0
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	15	32	47

181800A - 191800A:	0	130	108	238
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

No shelling during period.

BEF sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 42 rds of which 12 rds fell in L6321 sq and 30 rds fell in L6422 sq. Roads received a total of 53 rds of which 21 rds fell in L6519 sq, 16 rds fell in L6317 sq, 7 rds fell in L6218 sq and 6 rds fell in L6319 sq. Vic RIOLA (L6419) received a total of 15 rds. 20 rds fell in L6216 sq.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 15 rds in the L6519 sq. Roads received a total of 26 rds of which 20 fell in the L6519 sq and 6 rds in the L6416 sq. Gun area in the L7317 sq received a total of 30 rds of 170-mm cal during the night.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, forward elements and gun area.

Damage:

6 (SA) Div reports one man wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AF4 Bn	1125 AF4 Bn	Total
Btry in position	2	1	0	3
Harassing	9	1	7	17
Tanks	0	1	0	1
MG - Mortars	0	0	2	2
Vehicles	1	0	0	1
Troops	5	0	6	11
Total	17	3	15	35

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AF4 Bn	1125 AF4 Bn	Total
AQP	0	0	0	0
Ground QP	1	0	0	1
Unobserved	16	3	15	34
Total	17	3	15	35

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- A TOT of all available was fired upon an enemy troop concentration (L500-236) at 0915 and repeated at 1000.
- Using 50% time fire a TOT was fired by the 68 Armd FA Bn and 1125 Armd FA Bn at 1705 on enemy troops and tanks at L519-196.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 191800A Dec to
201800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 196.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

There has been no photo cover for 10 days and weather conditions have greatly restricted air and ground observation during that period. To what extent enemy artillery dispositions may have changed cannot be determined. The extremely light enemy shelling for the past forty-eight hours may have been due to the heavy fog and almost total lack of observation.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

1800A - 0600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	26	26
Lt	0	14	0	14
Med	0	5	0	5
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	19	26	45

0600A - 1800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	5	8	13
Lt	2	8	47	57
Med	0	12	7	19
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	2	25	62	89

1800A - 1800A:	Total	2	44	88	134
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector

Road in the 49-14 square - 2 rds.

BEF Sector

Vic SILLA (5814) - 26 rds; vic PORRETTA (5812) - 10 rds; road (6519) - 6 rds.

6 (SA) Sector

Road (7323) - 7 rds; forward infantry areas: 71-25 - 12 rds, 72-24 - 8 rds, 71-24 - 12 rds, 77-27 - 15 rds.

Unknown areas - 8 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, villages and forward infantry areas.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 Bn	1125 Bn	Total
Btry in position	9	0	1	10
Harassing	9	0	5	14
Troops	9	4	2	15
MG or Mortars	0	0	1	1
Total	27	4	9	40

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3. OPERATIONS: Cont'd

a. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 Bn	1125 Bn	Total
Ground CP	1	3	4	8
Unobserved	<u>26</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>32</u>
Total	27	4	9	40

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- A TOT of all available Arty with Corps was fired on a troop concentration in SASSOMOLARE (5824) at 08504.
- 1st Plat, "B" Co, 13 Tk Bn released from 424 FA Gp as of 201400 A and reverted to tank role.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 201800Z Dec to
211800Z Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 197.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The 170-mm shelling in the vicinity of PORRETTA (L5810) today is indicated by furrow azimuth to have come from the direction of FANANO (L4318).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

201800Z - 210600Z:		TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		0	0	31	31
Lt		10	7	12	29
Med		15	0	11	26
Hvy		0	0	11	11
Total		25	7	65	97
210600Z - 211800Z:		TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk		0	0	0	0
Lt		0	12	33	45
Med		0	2	0	2
Hvy		0	3	0	3
Total		0	17	33	50
201800Z - 211800Z:		25	24	98	147

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

25 rds fell on forward infantry elements in 5116 sq.

BEF sector

Unknown number of rds on forward elements (6422) sq. 7 rds fell in vic RIOLA (6520) sq. 6 rds fell on roads (6519) sq. 6 rds in the (6419) sq. 3 rds 170-mm fell vic PORRETTA (5810) sq.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 93 rds of which 42 rds fell in L7223 sq, 7 rds fell in L6520 sq, 6 rds fell in L7222 sq, 19 rds fell in L7123 sq and 6 rds fell in L7122 sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing fire on forward infantry elements with scattered rounds on rear areas.

Damage: 8 men were wounded and one man killed.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AF Bn	1125 AF Bn	Total
Btry in pos	3	0	0	3
Harassing	8	2	3	13
Personnel	0	0	2	2
MG - Mortars	0	3	0	3
Dumps	0	2	2	4
Total	11	7	7	25

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b. Observation -

Type	424 F4 Gp	68 AF4 Bn	1125 AF4 Bn	Total
AOP	0	0	0	0
Ground OP	0	0	0	0
Unobserved	<u>11</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>25</u>
Total	11	7	7	25

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. TOT's were fired on 2 enemy ammunition dumps and on ROCCA CORNELIA (L4917) by the 68 and 1125 Armd F4 Bns.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 211800A Dec to
221800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 198.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

The center and right sections of the BEF sector showed the greatest activity during the period. Enemy guns on the left of the 6 (SA) Armd Div sector were the most active during the night and guns in the center of this sector during the day.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
211800A - 220600A:				
Unk	4	6	26	36
Lt	5	37	20	62
Med	0	4	0	4
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	9	47	46	102
220600A - 221800A:				
Unk	0	30	17	47
Lt	0	124	43	167
Med	0	0	4	4
Hvy	0	0	16	16
Total	0	154	80	234
211800A - 221800A:	9	201	126	336

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 9 rds, 5 rds of which were in the 4914 sq., 4 rds in the 5115 sq.

BEF sector

Forward infantry elements received 57 rds, of which 49 rds were in 5819 sq, 8 rds in 6322 sq. Roads received a total of 20 rds of which 17 rds were in 6519 sq., 3 rds in 5717 sq. Vic SILLA (5814) 54 rds, Vic AFRICO (6221) - 4 rds, Vic Marano Bridge (6217) - 20 rds, Vic RIOLA (6419) - 10 rds, Vic BOMBIANA (5818) - 24 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 93 rds of which 19 rds were in 7221 sq., 18 rds in 7726 sq., 12 rds in 7121 sq., 8 rds in 8027 sq. and 20 rds in 7122 sq. Roads received a total of 8 rds all in the 7724 sq.

Nature of fire:

In the TF 45 and 6 (SA) Armd Div sectors the bulk of the shelling was harassing fire on forward infantry elements; while in the BEF sector the enemy concentrated on towns and bridges, as well as forward infantry elements.

Damage: 6 (SA) Armd Div reported one officer wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. "A" Btry 68 AFA Bn moved to vic - 410-016.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Btry in pos	5	0	0	5
Harassing	6	1	0	7
Personnel	13	4	2	19
CP or CP	0	1	2	3
Strong Pt	0	0	1	1
Total	24	6	5	35

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Grd CP	3	3	2	8
Unobserved	21	3	3	27
Total	24	6	5	35

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Corps Arty aided by Division Arty fired five (5) TOT's on known enemy installations. Nature of targets were 2 enemy batteries and 3 enemy assembly areas.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 221800A Dec to
231800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 199.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No major change in enemy artillery dispositions was revealed in the partial photo coverage of 22 December. Shellreps during the period indicated the active enemy guns in the BEF sector to be well scattered. In the 6 (SA) Arm Div sector the most active area was in the region of MARZABOTTO (L7731).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

221800A - 230600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	5	0	5
Med	10	0	0	10
Hvy	0	0	6	6
Total	10	5	6	21
230600A - 231800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	47	19	66
Lt	4	55	66	125
Med	0	48	0	48
Hvy (Est)	0	1	4	5
Total	4	151	89	244
221800A - 231800A:	14	156	95	265

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Roads at L5116 - 10 rds, L3806 - 4 rds.

BEF sector

Vic PORRETTA (5812) - 30 rds, Vic SILLA (5814) - 10 rds

Vic GUANELLA (5718) - 5 rds, Vic MORANO (6219) - 6 rds

Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) - 15 rds.

Roads at (6519) - 24 rds, (5713) - 7 rds, (5813) - 4 rds, (5715) - 10 rds, (5914) - 2 rds, (6620) - 12 rds, (5817) - 9 rds.

Forward infantry elements: (6922) - 3 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 52 rounds of which 10 rds fell in the L7726 sq, 10 rds in the L7623 sq, 10 rds in the L7624 sq, and 10 rds in the L7927 sq. 14 rds reported as falling in Vic GRIZZILANO (L7222) sq. 6 rds reported as falling in the patrol area at (L7527) sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, villages and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

6 (SA) reported 1 killed and 2 wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Btry in position	5	0	0	5
Personnel	8	2	3	13
Harassing	7	12	0	19
Dump	4	0	0	4
CP's and OP's	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	27	14	3	44

b. Observation:

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Ground OP	2	2	1	5
Unobserved	<u>25</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>39</u>
	27	14	3	44

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Corps Arty fired four TOT's on enemy installations, two on ammunition dumps and two on CP's.
- b. Last night 168 LAA Btry in conjunction with 4/22 Fd Regt fired an illuminating mission to allow the adjustment on enemy CP vicinity of CASTELNUOVO Ridge. Close coordination was achieved by having an officer from each outfit at the same OP. The experiment was successful and adjustment was completed.

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 221800A Dec to
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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No major change in enemy artillery dispositions was revealed in the partial photo coverage of 22 December. Shellreps during the period indicated the active enemy guns in the BEF sector to be well scattered. In the 6 (SA) Armd Div sector the most active area was in the region of MARZABOTTO (L7731).

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
221800A - 230600A:				
Unk	0	0	0	0
Lt	0	5	0	5
Med	10	0	0	10
Hvy	0	0	6	6
Total	10	5	6	21
230600A - 231800A:				
Unk	0	47	19	66
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Hvy (Est)	0	1	4	5
Total	4	151	89	244
221800A - 231800A:	14	156	95	265

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Roads at L5116 - 10 rds, L3806 - 4 rds.

BEF sector

Vic PORRETTA (5812) - 30 rds, Vic SILLA (5814) - 10 rds
Vic GUANELLA (5718) - 5 rds, Vic MORANO (6219) - 6 rds
Vic GAGGIO MONTANO (5516) - 15 rds.
Roads at (6519) - 24 rds, (5713) - 7 rds, (5813) - 4 rds,
(5715) - 10 rds, (5914) - 2 rds, (6620) - 12 rds, (5817) - 9 rds.
Forward infantry elements: (6322) - 3 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 52 rounds of which 10 rds fell in the L7726 sq, 10 rds in the L7623 sq, 10 rds in the L7624 sq, and 10 rds in the L7927 sq. 14 rds reported as falling in Vic GRIZZIANO (L7222) sq. 6 rds reported as falling in the patrol area at (L7527) sq.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, villages and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

6 (SA) reported 1 killed and 2 wounded.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AAA Bn	1125 AAA Bn	Total
Btry in position	5	0	0	5
Personnel	8	2	3	13
Harassing	7	12	0	19
Dump	4	0	0	4
CP's and OP's	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	27	14	3	44

b. Observation:

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AAA Bn	1125 AAA Bn	Total
Ground OP	2	2	1	5
Unobserved	<u>25</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>39</u>
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 US ARMY

Period: 231800A Dec to
241800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -
Number of rounds reported:

231800A - 240600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	13	5	18
Lt	0	22	3	25
Med	0	12	21	33
Hvy	0	0	0	0
Total	0	47	29	76
240600A - 241800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	1	29	30
Lt	4	0	28	32
Med	0	16	21	37
Hvy	0	0	5	5
Total	4	17	83	104
231800A - 241800A:	4	64	112	180

Areas receiving special attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 4 rds in (13806).

BEF sector

Vic "C" Btry, 1125 AFA Bn (576-130) - 9 rds.
Vic PORETTA (15812) - 26 rds.
Vic MIRANO (163-19) - 21 rds.
Vic RIOLA (164-19) - 8 rds.

6 (SA) sector

Forward infantry elements received a total of 73 rds of which 26 rds fell in (L7726) sq., 24 rds fell in (L6520) sq., 11 rds fell in (L7627) sq and 7 rds fell in (L71-23) sq. Vic GRIZZANA (L7222) 21 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads and forward areas.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

No change.

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3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Btry in position	12	8	3	23
OP or OP	0	1	0	1
Harassing	7	3	0	10
Personnel	2	4	2	8
MG & Mortars	1	0	0	1
Tanks or SP	0	1	0	1
Total	22	17	5	44

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Gp	68 AFA Bn	1125 AFA Bn	Total
Ground OP	1	6	0	7
Unobserved	21	11	5	37
Total	22	17	5	44

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. One TOT all available was fired on CASTELLUCIO (5220).

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - Arty 0, Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 2 - CG, TF 45
- 2 - CG, 1st Inf Div Arty BMT
- 2 - CG, 6 (SA) Armd Div Arty
- 1 - G-3, IV Corps
- 6 - 424 FA Gp
- 2 - 68 Armd FA Bn
- 1 - 1125 Armd FA Bn
- 1 - 167 LAA Btry
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 241800A Dec to
251800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 201.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -
No change.

b. 1800A to 0600A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	No	0
Lt	0	7	report	7
Med	0	0		0
Hvy	0	0		0
Total	0	7		7

0600A to 1800A:	TF 45	BEF	6 (SA)	IV Corps
Unk	0	8	0	8
Lt	0	25	91	116
Med	0	7	0	7
Hvy	0	0	2	2
Total	0	40	93	133

1800A to 1800A:	Total	0	47	93	140
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 Sector - No shelling reported.

BEF Sector - Road at 58-17 - 5 rds, forward infantry areas 63-21 - 8 rds, vic PORNETTA 58-12 - 10 rds.

6 (SA) Sector - Roads at 75-21 - 6 rds, 71-22 - 12 rds, 76-23 - 5 rds, 76-24 - 31 rds; forward infantry 76-24 - 31 rds, 76-23 - 5 rds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads and forward infantry areas.

Damage: None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. IV Corps Arty CP closed old position at 251200A and opened new CP 251200A at coordinates 160-736.

OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	1125 Bn	68 Bn	Total
Btry in position	1	0	0	1
Harassing	9	0	7	16
Personnel	3	1	10	14
CP or CP	5	0	2	7
Test mission	1	0	0	1
Total	19	1	19	39

b. Observation -

	424 Gp	1125 Bn	68 Bn	Total
Ground CP	2	1	12	15
Unobserved	17	0	7	24
	19	1	19	39

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY APO 304 U S ARMY

Period: 251800A Dec to
261800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 202.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

No change in BEF and TF 45 sectors.

In the SERCHIO Valley Area of 92nd Div sector, following dispositions are indicated, based on photo cover up to and including 25 December: 11 positions with 22 light and 7 medium guns. 1 HAA position with 3 guns. These positions and guns include 4 positions - 10 guns southwest of PIEVE FOSCIANA (L1311); 1 position 3 guns light - L1409 sq; 2 positions - 7 guns light and medium, vic M. ALFONSO (L1208); 2 positions - 3 light infantry guns in L1206 sq.

Along the coast in 92nd Div sector, no recent changes in enemy artillery dispositions are noted: Photo cover and ground observation indicate a total of 10 positions with 25 light guns; 6 positions with 12 medium guns; 2 positions with 2 heavy guns and 2 positions with 8 coast defense guns, located generally as follows: 2 positions - 4 to 5 guns light P9197 sq; 2 positions - 5 guns light P8898 sq; 5 positions - 14 guns south of MASSA along Hwy 1 between 91 and 92 Eastings and 98 and 01 Northings; 5 positions - 13 guns west of MASSA between 88 and 89 Eastings and 00 and 02 Northings. 1 Heavy gun in U8802 and U8806 sqs and 2 coast defense positions on PUNTA BIANCA (P7703) with 8 guns.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

251800A - 260600A:	TF 45	BEF	92 Div	IV Corps
Unk	0	5	25	30
Lt	0	0	5	5
Med	6	30	75	111
Hvy	0	0	52	52
Total	6	35	157	198

260600A - 261800A:	TF 45	BEF	92 Div	IV Corps
Unk	0	1	6	7
Lt	12	100	50	162
Med	0	19	36	55
Hvy	0	0	73	73
Total	12	120	165	297

251800A - 261800A:	18	155	322	495
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

TF 45 sector

Vic LIZZANO (5212) - 12 rds. Forward infantry elements - (5016) - 6 rds.

BEF sector

Vic RIOLA (6419) - 14 rds, Vic MORANO (6219) - 26 rds.
Vic SILLA (5814) - 30 rds, Vic FORRETTA (5812) - 24 rds. Roads at (5615) - 28 rds, (5315) - 11 rds, (6620) - 1 rd, (6520) - 5 rds, (6519) - 8 rds. Forward infantry elements at (6522) - 6 rds.

92 Div sector

Vic RIPA (9695) - 65 rds, Vic QUERCETA (9594) - 49 rds. Roads at (9589) - 30 rds, (9390) - 48 rds, (9490) - 20 rds. Road from PIETRA SANTA (9792) to QUERCETA (9594) - 6 rds Hvy - Est 170-mm.

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Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, villages and forward infantry elements.

Damage:

92 Div sector reports 2 men wounded in shelling of E Btry,
600 FA Bn (2099) sq and the CP of 598 FA Bn (1701) sq respectively.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Group	Total
Harassing	10	10
Personnel	7	7
Btry in position	1	1
Tanks	2	2
CP	2	2
Total	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Group	Total
AOP	1	1
Ground OP	9	9
Unobserved	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>
Total	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. The following units were attached to IV Corps Arty 26 December 1944:

248 FA Bn (155 H)	Lt. Col. McBride	Commanding
633 FA Bn (155 G)	Lt. Col. Folks	Commanding
4 Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn	Lt. Blake	Commanding

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2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
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1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
2 - CG, TF 45
2 - CG, TF 92
2 - CG, 1st Inf Div BEF
6 - 424 FA Gp
2 - 68 FA Bn
2 - 248 FA Bn
2 - 600 FA Bn

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Supplement to S - 3 REPORT NO 202.

1. Amendment to Paragraph 1, b:

The enemy counterattack which took place today in the Serchio Valley area was accompanied by artillery fire over the entire front between the 10 and 21 Easting. The amount of the shelling has not been determined, but it is estimated in a late report that 800 rounds of medium and light caliber fell in that region during the period. The towns of GALLICANO (L1503) and BARGA (L1804) received considerable fire. The CP of 598 FA Bn (1701) was shelled, resulting in one man wounded, and "E" Btry of the 600 FA Bn (12099) received counterbattery fire, also resulting in one man being wounded.

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- 2 - Arty O, Fifth Army
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- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 2 - CG, TF 45
- 2 - CG, 92 IDA
- 2 - CG, 1st Inf Div Arty (BEEF)
- 6 - 424 FA Group
- 2 - 63 AAA Bn
- 2 - 248 FA Bn
- 2 - 631 FA Bn
- 2 - 15 FA Obsn Bn
- 1 - File

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* Initials: _____ *
* Date: 27 Dec 1944 *

Period: 261800A Dec to
271800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 203.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 26 December revealed 3 new artillery positions in BEF sector and 4 new positions in 92 Division sector. On the right in front of elements of BEF - TF 45, 5 field guns were disclosed in position in L5724, L5525 and L5219 squares.

In the 92 Division, 2 new positions in the SERCHIO Valley area indicated 4 HAA guns in L1109 square and 2 light guns in L1207 sq. Along the coast, 3 to 4 HAA guns were located vic L712-077, while in the lightly occupied center of the division zone 1 new position with 3 guns was uncovered in L0609 sq.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
261800A - 270600A:				
Unk	1	0	28	29
Lt	63	0	81	142
Med	139	0	3	142
Hvy	40	0	0	40
Total	241	0	112	353
270600A - 271800A:				
Unk (Mixed)	300	12	16	328
Lt	0	0	36	36
Med	0	5	34	39
Hvy	0	0	12	12
Total	300	17	98	415
261800A - 271800A:	541	17	210	768

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

241 rounds reported during night in TF 92 sector fell almost entirely along the coast with some counterbattery fire reported in SERCHIO Valley sector. During the day the 92 Division coastal sector received no reports of shelling. An estimated 300 rounds of mixed light and medium caliber fell during the day in the SERCHIO Valley area; Intense concentrations were reported vic PEDONA (L182008) and PLANO DI CAROLIA (196-001) and vic L215-015. Slight concentrations were reported in L1601 and 2098 squares.

TF 45 sector

12 rounds light caliber fell vic 403-064 near COTIGLIANO. 5 rounds medium caliber fell vic 505-139.

BEF sector

60 rounds fell vic of PORRETTA (5812 sq) 12 of these were confirmed 170-mm. 48 rounds fell on roads in the 6116 sq. 35 rounds fell vic of B Btry, 167 LAA Regt. 43 rounds fell vic of SILLA (5814) sq. 12 rounds fell vic RIOLA (6419 sq).

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Nature of fire:

In BEF and TF 45 sectors, fire was slight, of a harassing nature and widely scattered throughout the two sectors. SERCHIO Valley sector of 92 Division received some intense fire on forward elements, with slight counterbattery on one unit.

Damage:

SILLA (L5814) Bridge reported damaged by enemy artillery fire at 271030A though not destroyed.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. See Station List dated 271800A December 1944.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 FA Group	Total
Btry in position	19	19
Harassing	15	15
Personnel	9	9
Mortars	1	1
Total	44	44

b. Observation -

Type	424 FA Group	Total
Air OP	6	6
Ground OP	4	4
Unobserved	34	34
Total	44	44

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. At end of period 248 FA Bn (155 H) was moving to position area vic U999-903 and 633 FA Bn (155 G) to Q003-854. Both units encountered much difficulty in getting over the roads in II Corps sector due to ice conditions.
- b. Arrangements are being made to use attack bombers on targets of opportunity beyond field artillery range. Targets located by AOP's at too great a range for field artillery will be referred to "River Joe" (ground station for bombers) for bombing.
- c. Because of enemy pressure on the right flank the bulk of artillery in 8 Indian Division sector has withdrawn to the vicinity of BAGNI di LUCCA.
- d. 17 Med Regt and 18 Med Regts will move from II Corps sector to IV Corps sector on night of 28-29 December.
- e. A Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn is establishing a 6 mile (4 second) sound base in coastal sector running generally from CAMAIORE to LIDE di CAMAIORE. Base will be in operation on night of 28 December. Flash base will be established 28 December.
- f. 1125 Armd FA Bn detached from IV Corps Arty and attached to 92 Div Arty.

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Period: 271800A Dec to
281800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 204.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 27 December, 1944 gave little indication of change in enemy artillery dispositions. In front of the Serchio Valley elements, 2 positions with three light infantry guns were found unoccupied in L1206 sq. One new position was disclosed in L1307 with three light guns, while one position was disclosed with three light guns in L0609 sq. Along the coast in U9197 and U 9095 squares, two guns were located in positions formerly reported unoccupied.

In front of BEF, on the right of the Corps Sector, two new positions in L6428 and L5318 squares disclosed 4 guns, two in each position.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

271800A - 280600:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	41	0	41
Lt	10	0	0	53	63
Med	23	0	0	31	54
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33	0	41	84	158

280600A - 281800A:	92 Div	8 Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	2	2	50	0	54
Lt	67	36	10	100	213
Med	22	38	8	116	184
Hvy	33	0	0	0	33
Total	124	76	68	216	481

271800A - 281800A:	Total	157	76	109	305	647
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div Sector - Roads at 9492 - 13 rds; 9795 - 2 rds; 9194 - 10 rds; 9793 - 4 rds; 9194 - 10 rds; 9591 - 12 rds; forward Infantry elements - 9695 - 2 rds; 9696 - 2 rds; 9999 - 30 rds; 9495 - 8 rds, vic CUPROET (9594) - 8 rds, vic PIETRASANTA (9792) - 25 rds, vic SERRAVALLE (9796) - 18 rds.

8 Ind Div Sec - 20 rds L1300 square, vic CHIVITZANO (2099) - 56 rds.

TF 45 Sector - vic CUTIGLIANO (3906) - 41 rds, roads & forward elements 5015 sq - 10 rds, forward elements 4914 sq - 8 rds.

BEF Sector - Roads at 5811 - 9 rds, 6519 - 29 rds, forward infantry elements at 6119 - 4 rds, vic G. G. GIO MONTANO (5516) - 7 rds, vic PORRETTA (5812) - 17 rds, vic SILLA (5814) - 16 rds, vic 751 Tk Bn (628-150) - 51 rds, 29 rds of which were duds.

Nature of fire:

Harassing on roads, villages and forward elements.

Damage:

None reported.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. No change.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	Total
Btry in position	11	2	3	1	17
Harassing	14	0	0	0	14
Personnel	6	0	0	0	6
MG or Mortars	1	0	0	0	1
Bridge	0	1	0	0	1
Total	32	3	3	1	39

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3. OPERATIONS: Cont'd

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 Bn	248 Bn	403 Bn	Total
Air OP	3	3	3	1	10
Ground CP	4	0	0	0	4
Unobserve	25	0	0	0	25
Total	32	3	3	1	39

c. Sound and Flash -

CP "1" Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn and Survey Information Center established at 003-895.

A flash base was installed with OP #1 at U9778-9277 and CP #2 at U9292-9240 ready to operate at 281745.

A sound central was established at U994-884. Reconnaissance completed for a sound base (six mike, four-second base) and survey was completed on Mikes #5 & 6.

Survey: The following central has been established by Army Engineers (66th Topo) and will be of use to units in this area:

Station 606 - Pole with yellow and blue flag 49930977-3903222.24

MONTEGOGIORO - Center line of white steeple on church tower
500529.0 - 391109.9.

SANLUCIA - Weather vane on square bell tower 500833.1 - 390332.3

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. 328 FA Bn (105 H) detached 92 Div arty reverted to parent unit (85 Div arty) during period.
- b. During afternoon a ground OP adjusted on enemy infantry (estimated one battalion). Infantry was fired on and was dispersed and scattered.
- c. Lt Lieb, OP pilot observer, observed an active enemy battery at (916-997) and adjusted 248 FA Bn (155 H) and 633 FA Bn (155 G) simultaneously. Each Bn fired 3 btry volleys for effect. 10 minutes later each Bn fired a TOT of 2 Bn volleys. Observer reported target area completely obliterated by bursts.

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- 2 - Arty 0 Fifth Army
- 2 - CG, IV Corps
- 1 - CG, IV Corps Arty
- 1 - CG, 92 Div Arty
- 1 - CG, 10 AGF
- 1 - CG, TF 45
- 6 - 424 FA Gp
- 1 - CG, 1 Div Arty (3EF)
- 1 - CG, 1 Arm'd Div Arty
- 1 - CG, 85 Div Arty
- 1 - 633 FA Bn
- 1 - 248 FA Bn
- 1 - 403 FA Bn
- 1 - 62 AM Brig
- 1 - 15 FA Obsn Bn
- 1 - File

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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS ARTILLERY
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Period: 281800A Dec to
291800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 205.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Good Photo cover of 28 Dec 44 revealed no indications of change or strengthening of enemy artillery in 92 Div sector along the coast or BEEF. TF 45 sector on the right flank. In front of the 8th IND Div in the Serchio Valley sector, 5 new positions revealed from ten to twelve enemy artillery pieces, two of which added 1500 yds to the depth of enemy dispositions in this area. These two positions reported as containing three guns are located in L1113 and L1213 sqs in the vic of VILLA COLLEMANDIN. 3 positions containing 7 to 9 guns are disclosed approximately 1500 yds North and Northeast of CASTELNUOVA (L1208) in L1509, L1311 and L1310 sqs. Photo cover of recent dates confirms the emplacement of 50 enemy artillery pieces in 18 positions ranging from 06 to 14 northings, between the 11 and 15 eastings.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEEF	IV Corps
281800A - 290600A:					
Unk	5	0	0	0	5
Lt	10	0	0	30	40
Med	31	0	0	190	221
Hvy	17	0	0	0	17
Total	63	0	0	220	283
290600A - 291800:					
Unk	0	0	0	98	98
Lt	0	0	11	154	165
Med	2	0	0	159	161
Hvy	0	0	0	9	9
Total	2	0	11	420	433
281800A - 291800A:	65	0	11	640	716

Areas receiving special attention:

92 Div sector - Roads at (92-94) - 18 rds & (96-87) - 6 rds;
(94-95) - 2 rds Vic QUERCETA (95-94) - 16 rds;
Vic PIETRA SANTA (97-92) - 9 rds.

8 Ind Div - No shelling reported

TF 45 sector - Roads at (50-15) - 6 rds.
Vic GNTANI (38-16) - 5 rds.

BEEF sector - Roads at (64-20) - 27 rds; (63-21) - 9 rds;
(56-15) - 109 rds (64-14) - 80 rds. Forward Infantry
elements at (66-21) - 24 rds (59-19) - 22 rds;
(64-21) - 30 rds. Vic SILLA (58-14) - 29 rds; Vic FORETTA (
(58-12) - 24 rds. Vic COLVELLA (58-13) - 26 rds Vic RIOLA,
(64-19) - 43 rds.

Nature of fire: Harassing of roads, villages & forward infantry elements in BEEF sector. Slight harassing fire in rear areas of 92 Div coastal sector.

Damage: None reported.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. Add to Station List dated 2718004 Dec 44:

10 4GR4 GP - 229-933
17 Med Regt (5.5H) 173-900
13 Med Regt (5.5H) 213-919

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA	Total
Btry in pos	17	3	2	0	22
Harassing	15	0	0	0	15
Personnel	4	0	0	0	4
Propaganda	19	0	0	0	19
Tks or SP	1	0	0	0	1
Total	56	3	2	0	61

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA	Total
Air OP	0	3	2	0	5
Grd OP	3	0	0	0	3
Unobserved	53	0	0	0	53
Total	56	3	2	0	61

c. Sound and Flash -

No enemy guns were spotted, but azimuth and coordinates of flares and bombing impact areas were reported. It is planned that by the nite of 30 Dec. a third OP will be in operation on Mt. Cucco, thereby permitting 3 ray intersections on enemy guns.

All field work for the installation of the sound base has been completed and the base will be in operation before 2400 hours.

The following survey control has been established by Army Engrs (66th Topo) and will be of use to units in this area:

GABBERI CROSS- Center line of cross - 502873.6 - 393177.2
MONTE METO- Brush and vane signal on tree summit of Mt Meto 502141.9 - 386500.9
FIUMELLO- Pole and vane signal on bipod on large red tower 494477.3 - 390297.7
WAG- Has been established by 15th FA Obsn Bn at 500546.0 - 388275.6

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Rover Joe executed two missions during the period. One mission involved enemy btry VOB (1215-0803) at which location the pilot saw the pits; secured two hits, one directly in a pit and made two strafing passes. The second mission was on enemy btry VRB (1492-0924) where four direct hits were secured on photo pinpoint and 4 near misses, 50 yds south.
- While adjusting the 248 FA Bn (155H) on enemy btry VNB from photo, Capt Rowan, IV C Arty AOP, spotted two active guns, the bn switched to fire on them and secured two explosions in the fire for effect.
- The 17th and 18th Med Regts moved into positions in the Serchio Valley during the day and were ready to fire at the end of the period. HQ 10 4GR4 assumed the role of Div Arty Hq for the 8 Ind Div.
- The 328 FA Bn, 85 Div Arty is attached to IV Corps Arty as of 300600 DEC. The Bn will occupy positions in vic of CAMLIORE and will begin movement at 301300 Dec.
- IV Corps Arty AOP's flew 15 missions during the day including 3 CB, 4 Corps Arty registrations and 5 reconnaissance missions for the Corps Commander. 6 reconnaissance missions are scheduled for 30 Dec in critical areas.

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, Period: 291300A Dec to
301800A Dec 44

S - 3 REPORT NO 206.

1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 29 December disclosed no material change in enemy artillery dispositions across the corps front. A new position of one light caliber gun was located in the P0901 square.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

291300A - 300600A:	92 Div	3-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	17	0	0	0	17
Lt	0	0	0	19	19
Med	3	0	2	2	7
Hvy	0	0	0	0	0
Total	20	0	2	21	43

300600A - 301800A:	92 Div	3-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
Unk	0	0	0	3	3
Lt	12	90	0	22	124
Med	0	0	6	47	53
Hvy	9	0	0	10	19
Total	21	90	6	82	199

291300A - 301800A:	41	90	8	103	242
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Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

..... 8 rounds of smoke reported as falling in the Q0182 sq.

Forward infantry elements received a total of 21 rounds, 9 of which were reported as heavy caliber falling in the U9495 sq.

9 other rounds of unknown caliber were reported as falling in the coastal area.

3-Ind Div sector

Forward infantry elements vic BARGA (L1804) received a total of 90 rounds of light arty during the period. An unknown number of rounds fell on GALLICANO (L1503).

TF 45 sector

..... Forward infantry elements received a total of 8 rounds falling in the L5013 square and the L5116 square.

BEF sector

..... Vic FORRETTA (L5812) received a total of 38 rounds of mixed arty and 10 rounds of heavy caliber estimated 170mm, during the period.

Forward infantry elements received a total of 35 rounds of medium caliber falling in the L6119 and the L6421 squares.

Nature of fire:

An increase in the shelling of forward infantry elements was noted in the 3-Ind Div sector, while the other sectors reported the usual harassing type of fire.

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Damage:

3-Ind Div reports one ammo truck destroyed and two AT guns hit, one of which was destroyed.

BEF reports one man killed and one injured.

92 Div reports one casualty.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

a. See Station List dated 301800A December 1944.

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	243 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Dtry in position	3	3	1	4	11
Harassing	23	0	3	0	26
Personnel	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
Total	27	7	4	4	42

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	243 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Air OP	0	0	0	2	2
Ground OP	1	1	1	0	3
Unobserved	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>37</u>
	27	7	4	4	42

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. 633 FA Bn fired two FOT's on enemy troops in the vicinity of ORTOLA (U905-024) and MIRTEFO (U899-032).

b. 403 FA Bn adjusted by their own AOP, fired on VLB (U911-975). All rounds fell in the immediate vicinity and a fire was started south of the target.

c. Ground OP of 243 FA Bn adjusted the 633 FA Bn on 2 Anti-aircraft guns at U079-013, placing all rounds in the target area.

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Period: 301800A Dec to
311800A Dec 44

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1. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

a. Enemy Artillery Dispositions -

Photo cover of 30 December revealed no change in enemy artillery dispositions across the entire corps front. Sound and flash bases in 92 Division coastal sector were successful in locating accurately two new enemy gun positions at P896-004 and P894-007, and in locating with 300 yard accuracy one estimated heavy gun firing from P891-012. These locations were obtained between 302140A and 302230A. At 310630A, flash base located enemy artillery firing at P884-017, confirming a previously located position of earlier date. On 29 December AOP observed enemy guns at U919-988, also confirming a previously located position. These five locations still remain concealed on photo cover.

b. Enemy Artillery Activity -

Number of rounds reported:

	92 Div	8-Ind	TF 45	BEF	IV Corps
301800A - 310600A:					
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	33	0	0	3	36
Med	1	0	0	9	10
Hvy	9	0	0	6	15
Total	43	0	0	18	61
310600A - 311800A:					
Unk	0	0	0	0	0
Lt	12	57	0	19	88
Med	3	5	0	60	68
Hvy	15	0	0	0	15
Total	30	62	0	79	171
301800A - 311800A:	73	62	0	97	232

Areas receiving attention from enemy artillery:

92 Div sector

Forward infantry elements: 9294 - 3 rds; 9696 - 4 rds; 9795 - 4 rds. Road at 9893 - 12 rds.

Vic FORTE DI MARMI (9292) - 6 rds. Vic STRETTOLA (9496) - 1 rd. Vic RIPA (9695) - 24 rds. Vic Flash CP #1, Btry 4, 15 FA Obsn Bn - (9893) - 6 rds.

8-Ind sector

Total of 15 rds on forward elements at 1503, 1803, 2000. Rest of shelling was in unknown areas.

TF 45 sector

No report of shelling.

BEF sector

Vic PORRETTA (5012) - 27 rds, 12 of which were reported as 170mm caliber. Vic SILLA (5014) - 5 rds. Vic LA SERRA (6420) - 31 rds. Vic BOMBIANA (5018) - 16 rds.

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Nature of fire:

Harassing of villages in BEF sector, with normal harassing of villages, roads and forward elements in 92 Div and 8-Ind Div sectors.

Damage:

BEF reports one man killed and nine wounded in shelling of PORRETTA.

2. LOCATION OF TROOPS:

- a. The following unit was unintentionally omitted from Station List dated 301800A December 1944.

125 FA Bn

U968-896

3. OPERATIONS:

a. Missions fired -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Btry in position	12	9	0	0	21
Harassing	19	6	3	0	28
Personnel	12	0	0	0	12
Mortars	4	0	0	0	4
Total	47	15	3	0	65

b. Observation -

Type	424 Gp	633 FA Bn	248 FA Bn	403 FA Bn	Total
Air CP	6	3	0	0	9
Ground CP	6	6	0	0	12
Unobserved	35	6	3	0	44
	47	15	3	0	65

- c. ~~Survey~~ information - Declination station Wiley has been established in vicinity of Battery A, 15 FA Obsn Bn CP, coordinates of station are 500225.7-389039.2; units interested in using declination station can obtain necessary information at Battery A CP.

4. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. At 2220A number 2 piece, C Btry, 633 FA Bn (155 G) had a premature burst which blew off the breech hoop. At 0540A number 3 piece of A Btry had a similar accident. Two men were killed, two seriously wounded and five slightly wounded. The cause of the premature burst as yet has not been determined.
- b. A Btry, 15 FA Obsn Bn, sound base picked up an active enemy battery at P896-004. While adjusting the 633 FA Bn on this battery, the flash base observed another active gun at P894-007, upon which they also fired. Reports on both adjustments were all rounds in target area and guns were silenced.
- c. Night Tac/R reported enemy vehicular traffic from COLLACNA (L0335) to AULLA (P7821) to MASSA (P9001) and in the SERCHIO Valley. Harassing fire was immediately placed on six critical points in the road net. Points that were harassed in the coastal sector were adjusted by the flash base. 92 Div Arty put an AOP in the air to attempt further reconnaissance by moonlight, but the observer could see no activity.
- d. One piece of C Btry, 633 FA Bn (155 G) displaced at 1400A to a forward position vicinity FORTE DI MARMI (U9392) to fire long range harassing tonight on the following dumps and supply points: P015-066,

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F811-082, F767-044 Gun will return to original position before daylight.

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